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**[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED
SESSION JULY 1, 2008 ON PAGE 144.]**

SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THE MEETING WILL PLEASE COME TO ORDER.
WOULD EVERYONE PLEASE STAND? THIS MORNING, THE INVOCATION WILL
BE BY RABBI JOSHUA HOFFMAN, FROM THE VALLEY BETH SHALOM IN
ENCINO. AND THE PLEDGE BY ANDRE BRINNEY, MEMBER OF THE POST
NUMBER 2122, INGLEWOOD, VETERANS OF THE FOREIGN CARS OF THE
UNITED STATES, FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT.

RABBI JOSHUA HOFFMAN: GOOD MORNING. THE LOS ANGELES JEWISH
COMMUNITY STANDS WITH GREAT PRIDE AS WE READ IN THE NEWSPAPERS
RECENTLY OF THE MAYOR'S VISIT TO ISRAEL. AND NOT ONLY DID THE
MAYOR ENJOY GOOD FALAFEL AND SCHNITZEL, WHICH IS A PART OF ANY
VISIT TO ISRAEL, BUT IN HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH THE PRESIDENT
OF ISRAEL, SHIMON PERES, THERE WAS ONE THING THAT THESE TWO
COMMUNITIES SHARE IN COMMON. AND HE STATED THAT THAT ONE THING
IN COMMON IS THAT WE, THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES AND THE STATE
OF ISRAEL HAVE THE POWER TO DREAM. AND THE IDEA OF BEING ABLE
TO DREAM IN A PLACE LIKE LOS ANGELES, AS DIFFICULT AS THAT MAY
SEEM, AS A PLACE THAT HAS PROBABLY BEEN QUOTED HERE BEFORE, A
CITY THAT SEEMS TO BE THE PLACE WHERE THE CONTINENT TILTED ON
ITS SIDE, REMOVES ALL THE LOOSE OBJECTS AND PLACES IT



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1 SOMEWHERE HERE IN LOS ANGELES. IN A PLACE WITH SO MANY
2 DISPARATE PARTS AND SO MANY DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES, IT'S VERY
3 CHALLENGING TO DREAM. BUT A PLACE LIKE THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS AND A PLACE LIKE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO
5 BRING IMPORTANT IDEAS TOGETHER TO SERVICE THE PEOPLE OF THIS
6 GREAT CITY IS A GREAT BLESSING AND A GREAT CHALLENGE. AND SO
7 IT IS THAT I OPEN THIS MEETING WITH THE WORDS OF A GREAT
8 RABBI, ISRAEL SALANTER, WHO TEACHES US TO REMEMBER THAT IT IS
9 MORE COMMON FOR US TO FIRST FEEL ABOUT CONCERNS OF OUR OWN
10 FINANCIAL NEEDS AND CONCERN ABOUT THE SOULS OF OTHERS AND
11 TEACHES US THAT RATHER WE MUST BE CONCERNED MORE ABOUT THE
12 FINANCIAL NEEDS OF OTHERS AND THE SOULS OF OURSELVES. AND IT
13 IS IN THIS DEEP WORK THAT WE PRAY THIS MORNING THAT AS WE
14 CONCERN OURSELVES FOR THE FINANCIAL NEEDS AND THE WELL BEING
15 OF THIS GREAT CITY OF LOS ANGELES, THAT NOT ONLY DOES IT MAKE
16 THIS CITY GREATER AND MORE WHOLE, BUT ALSO NOURISHES OUR OWN
17 SOULS AND BRINGS US GREAT BLESSINGS. AMEN.

18

19 **ANDRE BRINNEY:** JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE
20 OF ALLEGIANCE]

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, WE WERE LED THIS MORNING IN THE
25 INVOCATION BY RABBI JOSHUA HOFFMAN, WHO JOINED THE VALLEY BETH



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1 SHALOM RABBINIC STAFF AFTER BEING ORDAINED FROM THE ZIEGLER
2 SCHOOL OF RABBINIC STUDIES. HE RECEIVED HIS B.A. IN ENGLISH
3 AND AMERICAN LITERATURE FROM BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY, AND HIS
4 MASTERS IN EDUCATION FROM THE AMERICAN JEWISH UNIVERSITY,
5 FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE UNIVERSITY OF JUDAISM. RABBI HOFFMAN
6 LECTURES IN LITURGY AND TEXT AND IS A PARTICIPANT OF THE STAR
7 PEER PROGRAM, A SELECT NATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM FOR RABBIS.
8 HE IS MARRIED AND HE HAS TWO CHILDREN AND ONE ON THE WAY. SO
9 WE WISH YOU A MAZEL TOV IN ADVANCE. THANK YOU FOR GRACING US
10 WITH YOUR INVOCATION THIS MORNING. [APPLAUSE]

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12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE WERE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE ANDRE BRINNEY
13 AS OUR PLEDGE VETERAN. HE'S FROM INGLEWOOD, V.F.W. POST 2122,
14 INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA. HE SERVED IN THE MILITARY FROM '82 TO
15 '84. HE WAS IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY, AN E-4, 194TH INFANTRY
16 THEATRE. HE SERVES AS A VETERAN BENEFIT COUNSELOR FOR THE LOS
17 ANGELES COUNTY MILITARY AND VETERAN AFFAIRS. HE'S MARRIED WITH
18 TWO CHILDREN. HE'S LIVED IN THE DISTRICT FOR 20 YEARS. HE
19 ORIGINALLY WAS FROM SOUTH PHILADELPHIA -- OR FROM
20 PHILADELPHIA. HE WENT TO SOUTH PHILADELPHIA HIGH AND WENT TO
21 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY DOMINGUEZ HILLS. BUT HE'S BEEN IN
22 THE SECOND DISTRICT FOR 20 YEARS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
23 JOINING US TODAY. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
2 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3. AGENDA FOR THE
3 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D
4 THROUGH 6-D.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
10 HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 4-H. ON ITEM 2-H, THE
11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO
12 WEEKS TO JULY 15TH, 2008.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ON 2-H, WILL BE CONTINUED WITHOUT
15 OBJECTION.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE
18 BEFORE YOU.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
21 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 13. ON
24 ITEM NUMBER 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
25 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY
3 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 12, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 14
6 THROUGH 64. ON ITEM NUMBER 18, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
7 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 20, SUPERVISOR
8 YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER
9 53, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
10 NUMBER 59, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE
11 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED
12 BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 60, AS INDICATED ON THE
17 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS
18 THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 61, THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN
23 AND FAMILY SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THE CORRECTIVE ACTION BE
24 CONTINUED FOUR WEEKS TO JULY 29TH, 2008, BUT THE SETTLEMENT BE
25 APPROVED TODAY.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, FOUR WEEKS ON THE
3 CORRECTIVE ACTION.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 62, AS INDICATED ON THE
6 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS
7 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY 8TH, 2008.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, ONE WEEK.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 63, SUPERVISOR KNABE
12 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS ON
13 THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 27, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION,
19 ITEMS 65 AND 66, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLES IN FOR THE
20 RECORD. ON ITEM NUMBER 65, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE
21 6 SALARIES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE
22 ADDITION, DELETION, AND/OR CHANGING OF CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS
23 AND NUMBER OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO
24 IMPLEMENT THE FINDINGS OF CLASSIFICATION STUDIES TO AMEND PAY
25 PROVISIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE
3 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 66, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
6 TITLE 6, SALARIES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO
7 THE ADDITION, DELETION AND/OR CHANGING OF CERTAIN
8 CLASSIFICATIONS AND THE NUMBER OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN
9 VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AS A RESULT OF THE BUDGET PROCESS FOR
10 FISCAL YEAR 2008/2009. THE AMENDMENT OF VARIOUS BONUS
11 PROVISIONS IN THE POSTING OF MINOR TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
14 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON ITEM 65, I MOVE RECONSIDERATION. THAT'S
17 TIED TO ITEM 20, WHICH I'M HOLDING.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
20 BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, 65 IS RECONSIDERED.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. ON PAGE 28, SEPARATE MATTERS,
23 ITEMS 67 AND 68. ON ITEM NUMBER 67, AFTER TABULATING THE
24 BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY
25 PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN THE ASSESSMENT



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1 RATES FOR COUNTY LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT DISTRICT NUMBERS
2 2 ZONE 21, SUNSET POINT, NOR TO COUNTY LANDSCAPING AND
3 LIGHTING ACT DISTRICT NUMBER 4, ZONE NUMBER 77, WEST CREEK
4 PARK, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008/2009. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE
5 APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE NECESSARY RESOLUTION
6 ORDERING THE INCREASE AND THE ASSESSMENT RATES IN ADDITION OF
7 A CONSUMER PRICE INDEX ADJUSTMENT COMPONENT FOR COUNTY
8 LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT DISTRICT NUMBER 4, ZONE NUMBER
9 77, WEST CREEK PARK.

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11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I SO MOVE. SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
12 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 68, I'LL READ THE SHORT
15 TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS THE TREASURER AND TAX
16 COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
17 ISSUANCE AND SALE OF LONG BEACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
18 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS 2008 ELECTION, SERIES A, IN AN
19 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50 MILLION.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
22 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 69 AND 70. ON ITEM
25 NUMBER 69, WE WILL HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 70, WE WILL



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1 HOLD THIS ITEM FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS
2 TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE
3 OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
4 ITEM 71-A, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST
5 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 31, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION.
6 ON ITEM CS-2, THERE ARE REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO
7 HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER
9 4.

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11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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13 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I AM
14 JOINED HERE TODAY BY PATRICK WILSON, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE
15 BOARD OF THE WILMINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. MICHAEL SANBORN,
16 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BANNING RESIDENCE MUSEUM AND
17 MARY GUTIERREZ, THE HONORARY MAYOR, AND HER HUSBAND, CHRIS,
18 HAVE JOINED US AS WELL TODAY. WE ARE HERE TO COMMEMORATE AND
19 CELEBRATE WITH THEM THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COMMUNITY OF
20 WILMINGTON. AS WE ALL KNOW HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
21 CELEBRATING OUR 150TH ANNIVERSARY JUST A FEW YEARS AGO, WHAT A
22 RICH HISTORY WILMINGTON HAS DATING BACK TO THE MID 1800S, WHEN
23 IT WAS FOUNDED BY THE FATHER OF THE LOS ANGELES HARBOR,
24 PHINEAS BANNING. ON SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1858, THE TOWN OF NEW SAN
25 PEDRO WAS FOUNDED BY BANNING. AND IN 1863, HE CHANGED ITS NAME



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1 TO WILMINGTON AFTER HIS HOMETOWN IN DELAWARE. DUE TO HIS
2 UNIONIST LEANINGS, IT BECAME A BASE FOR THE UNION ACTIVITIES
3 DURING THE CIVIL WAR. IN THE EARLY 1870S, BANNING RECEIVED
4 MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO BUILD A BREAK WATER AND
5 IMPROVE THE HARBOR. AND IN 1876, LOS ANGELES WAS CHANGED
6 FOREVER WITH THE ARRIVAL OF THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.
7 WILMINGTON HAS SERVED AS ITS TERMINUS, PROVIDED THE RAILROAD
8 WITH AN ACCESS TO OUR GREAT HARBOR. AND BECAUSE OF THE
9 STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF CREATING A PERMANENT CONNECTION WITH
10 THE HARBOR, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ANNEXED WILMINGTON IN
11 1909. TODAY, WILMINGTON IS AN ABSOLUTELY VIBRANT COMMUNITY
12 THAT SERVES AS A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT ECONOMIC ENGINE FOR NOT
13 ONLY LOS ANGELES COUNTY, BUT OUR ENTIRE NATION. THE RICH
14 HISTORY AND HERITAGE OF WILMINGTON IS RICHLY PRESERVED BY
15 INSTITUTIONS SUCH AS THE BANNING RESIDENCE MUSEUM, THE
16 HISTORIC DRUM BARRACKS AND WILMINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS
17 BEEN A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR THE ECONOMIC HEALTH AND QUALITY OF
18 LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF WILMINGTON. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF
19 AND MY COLLEAGUES, WE'RE GOING TO PRESENT THIS TO THE CHAMBER
20 PRESIDENT, BUT ALSO TO THE GOOD MAYOR, THE HONORARY MAYOR OF
21 WILMINGTON, AND SAY HAPPY BIRTHDAY, WILMINGTON, 150 YEARS. [
22 APPLAUSE]

23

24 **PATRICK WILSON:** ON BEHALF OF ALL OF THE CITIZENS OF
25 WILMINGTON, WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THIS RECOGNITION,



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1 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND ALL OF OUR COUNTY SUPERVISORS. INDEED
2 WILMINGTON IS ENJOYING A HISTORIC YEAR CELEBRATING OUR
3 SESQUICENTENNIAL AND THIS ACCOMMODATION MAKES IT ALL THAT MORE
4 SPECIAL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** WOW. THEY ARE SO SMOOTH AND SO ORGANIZED, THEY
7 JUST ROLL UP RIGHT BEHIND ME, BECAUSE THIS IS THE CRISIS
8 RESPONSE UNIT. BUT ANYWAY, AS WE ALL KNOW HERE ON THIS BOARD
9 AND THROUGHOUT THIS GREAT COUNTY, THAT THE EFFORTS ARE
10 UNDERWAY TO PREVENT AND END HOMELESSNESS ACROSS THIS COUNTY.
11 AND IT'S TRULY A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL EFFORT, AND WE ARE FOCUSING
12 ON EVERYTHING FROM POLICY WORK TO OUTREACH, TO SERVICE
13 ENHANCEMENTS, FUNDING, AND SO ON. BUT, HOWEVER, IN THE MIDST
14 OF ALL OF THIS, THERE ARE THOSE WHO WORK TO WORK WITH THE
15 HOMELESS, AND THIS WORK OFTEN GETS OVERLOOKED. AND I'M TALKING
16 ABOUT THE PEOPLE RIGHT HERE BEHIND ME WHO ARE OUT THERE
17 PROVIDING DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO THE HOMELESS WE SEE EVERY DAY
18 ON OUR SUBWAY AND BUS SYSTEMS, ALONG RAILROAD TRACKS, AND AT
19 BUS STOPS. THAT IS WHY, AND I MENTIONED EARLIER, WE HAVE HERE
20 TODAY THE MEMBERS OF THE CRISIS RESPONSE UNIT, BETTER KNOWN AS
21 "CRU," AND THE CRU HAS BEEN OPERATIONAL FOR EIGHT YEARS. IT
22 CONSISTS OF STAFF FROM OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND THE
23 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP. THEY HAVE
24 ASSISTED OVER 6,500 PEOPLE IN CRISIS THAT THEY FIND IN THE
25 TRANSIT SYSTEMS, THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF WHICH ARE



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1 HOMELESS, BUT ALSO IN THE THROES OF MENTAL ILLNESS AND
2 SUBSTANCE ABUSE. THEY PROVIDE ACCESS TO A RANGE OF SOCIAL
3 SERVICES, INCLUDING TREATMENT PROGRAMS, A SHELTER, MEDICAL
4 SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. AND AS WE ALL KNOW, THIS IS
5 NOT A CLEAN AND NEAT JOB, BY ANY MEANS, AND THEIR WORK OFTEN
6 INCLUDES CONSISTENT, ONGOING INTERACTION WITH THE HOMELESS TO
7 BUILD TRUST AND RELATIONSHIPS SO THEY CAN ASSIST THEM
8 EFFECTIVELY. NOT TO MENTION THE FACT THAT THEY ARE OPERATING
9 IN SOME OF THE MOST PHYSICALLY DANGEROUS AREAS OF OUR COUNTY,
10 IN TUNNELS AND UNDER OVERPASSES, ON OR NEAR RAILROAD TRACKS
11 AND SO ON. OBVIOUSLY THIS IS NOT A DESK JOB, SO WE REALLY
12 APPRECIATE IT. IN SHORT, FOR THESE EIGHT YEARS, THEY DO AN
13 INCREDIBLE AND OUTSTANDING JOB, AND WE'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE AND
14 THANK AND TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE EFFORTS OF THE CREW WHO ARE ON
15 THE FRONT LINES OF OUR BATTLE TO END HOMELESSNESS HERE IN LOS
16 ANGELES COUNTY, SO WE JUST WANT TO THANK THEM, GIVE THEM A BIG
17 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE]

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH IS
20 CHIEF DEPUTY ROBIN KAY. AND FROM OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, OUR
21 COMMANDER, DAN FINKELSTEIN. I WANT TO DO A GROUP PHOTO, AND
22 THEN I'M GOING TO ASK BOTH ROBIN AND DAN TO SAY A COUPLE OF
23 WORDS. I MIGHT ADD BEFORE THEY SPEAK, WE DID UPSTAIRS PRESENT
24 INDIVIDUAL SCROLLS TO SOME OF OUR TEAM MEMBERS, AND SO WE
25 REALLY APPRECIATE THEM AS WELL, SO HERE YOU GO.



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2 **ROBIN KAY:** ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT, I WANT TO THANK
3 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THE BOARD FOR RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING
4 WORK OF OUR TEAM. THE WORK THAT THEY DO, THE JOB THAT THEY DO
5 REACHING OUT TO PEOPLE WHO ARE JUST AT THE MOMENT OF BEING
6 READY TO ACCEPT SOME INTERVENTION, TO ENGAGE THEM AND TO MAKE
7 SURE THAT THEY GET THE HELP THAT THEY NEED IS REALLY A NOBLE
8 ENDEAVOR, SO MY CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU AND MY PROFOUND
9 THANK YOU.

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11 **DAN FINKELSTEIN:** I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
12 THE BOARD FOR RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF THE C.R.U. THAT YOU SEE
13 BEHIND US. THEY STRIKE A REALLY IMPORTANT BALANCE BETWEEN
14 HELPING THE HOMELESS, PROVIDING HUMANE SOLUTIONS TO GET THEM
15 BACK ON TRACK AND ALSO ENSURING THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF OUR 1.5
16 MILLION TRANSIT PATRONS EVERY DAY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** AGAIN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE JUST WANT A BIG
19 ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR C.R.U., THEY JUST DO AN OUTSTANDING JOB.
20 THANK YOU ALL VERY, VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** THANKS AGAIN. MADAM CHAIR, THOSE ARE MY
23 PRESENTATIONS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S MY PLEASURE NOW TO BRING UP PHYLLIS AND
2 JERRY CAMPBELL, WHO HAVE DONE A REMARKABLE JOB IN HELPING THE
3 DEVELOPMENTALLY CHALLENGED YOUNG PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTY. THEY
4 WORKED MANY YEARS IN DEVELOPING PROGRAMS. IN 1954, PHYLLIS AND
5 JERRY WERE DISAPPOINTED WHEN THEY WERE TOLD THAT THEY COULDN'T
6 ENROLL THEIR DAUGHTER, JANICE, AT THE LOCAL GLENDALE
7 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BECAUSE SHE WAS DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED.
8 BUT THEY REFUSED TO GIVE UP, AND ALONG WITH SEVERAL OTHER
9 PARENTS, ESTABLISHED A PRESCHOOL AT THE NORTH GLENDALE
10 METHODIST CHURCH. THE PROGRAM BECAME KNOWN AS THE GLENDALE
11 ASSOCIATION FOR THE RETARDED. AS THE CHILDREN GREW INTO
12 ADULTS, PHYLLIS THOUGHT THEY NEEDED TO DEVELOP A WORK TRAINING
13 PROGRAM, AND THAT, TOO, BECAME A REALITY. TODAY, THAT
14 ORGANIZATION SERVES 63 DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED ADULTS IN THE
15 WORK PROGRAM CALLED GAR SERVICES AND 20 OF THOSE SERVICES,
16 THOSE INDIVIDUALS LIVE IN THREE GROUP HOMES THAT THE
17 ASSOCIATION HAS. THEY HELP ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENT
18 DISABILITIES, WITH VOCATIONAL TRAINING, JOB PLACEMENT, ADULT
19 LIVING SKILLS, INSTRUCTIONS, COMMUNITY INTEGRATION PROGRAMS,
20 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND RESIDENTIAL PLACEMENT. THE
21 CLIENTS, THEY WORK FIVE DAYS A WEEK, AND THEY ARE PAID FOR
22 THEIR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A VARIETY OF JOBS, RANGING FROM
23 PACKAGING, ASSEMBLY AND MAILING TO RECYCLING. THAT ASSOCIATION
24 ALSO BEGAN WITH A DREAM THAT TURNED INTO A REALITY FOR JERRY
25 AND PHYLLIS, WHO ARE STILL MAJOR SUPPORTERS OF THE



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1 ORGANIZATION AND THEIR DAUGHTER, JANICE, WHO IS A VERY
2 BEAUTIFUL GIRL AND A GOOD FRIEND, IS NOW LIVING IN A GROUP
3 HOME IN OUR SAN CLARITA VALLEY. THEY ARE ALSO ACTIVE MEMBERS
4 OF THEIR COMMUNITY, SERVING ON NUMEROUS BOARDS AND
5 COMMISSIONS, INCLUDING THE GLENDALE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, AND
6 THEY HAVE ALSO ESTABLISHED A SCHOLARSHIP FOR A STUDENT WHO IS
7 MAJORING IN EDUCATION TO HELP THE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED
8 WITH A \$1,000 INTEREST-FREE LOAN TO HELP THEM MEET THEIR
9 NEEDS. BUT I'VE KNOWN JERRY AND PHYLLIS FOR OVER 30 YEARS,
10 PROBABLY CLOSER TO 40 YEARS, AND I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF
11 VISITING THE CENTER AND WATCHED THE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN AT
12 THEIR WORK SITE, JOB SITE. AND IT'S REALLY REMARKABLE WHAT TWO
13 INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE A VISION, LIKE THE BIBLE SAYS, WITHOUT
14 VISION, PEOPLE PERISH. WITH THEIR VISION, THE DEVELOPMENTALLY
15 DISABLED HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE A QUALITY, MEANINGFUL
16 LIFE WHERE THEY ARE PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS OF OUR COMMUNITY
17 BECAUSE OF THE FORESIGHT OF JERRY AND PHYLLIS CAMPBELL. SO ON
18 BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE YOU FOR THIS. [
19 APPLAUSE]

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21 **PHYLLIS CAMPBELL:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
22 FOR THIS RECOGNITION, BECAUSE IT SAYS TO US THAT YOU RECOGNIZE
23 THE VALUE OF THE ABLE-DISABLED PEOPLE THAT WE HAVE WORKED MOST
24 OF OUR ADULT LIVES TO SERVE. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING JERRY?

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3 **JERRY CAMPBELL:** THE ASSOCIATION AND OTHER GROUPS HAVE CALLED
4 ON THIS BOARD IN MANY TIMES PAST AND YOU HAVE ALWAYS
5 HANDSOMELY REWARDED US. WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT AND WE
6 THANK YOU FOR THIS COMMENDATION TODAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW IT'S A PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE AN
9 OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL, JOHN NEWCOMBE, WHO IS HERE WITH
10 MICHAEL RAWLER, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE CRESCENTA VALLEY
11 HISTORICAL SOCIETY, IN RECOGNITION OF JOHN NEWCOMBE'S
12 OUTSTANDING DOCUMENTARY ON THE HISTORY OF THE CRESCENTA-CANADA
13 VALLEY. JOHN IS A FILM SCREENWRITER. HE ALSO IS A NATIONALLY
14 SYNDICATED CARTOONIST. HIS CARTOON, ZACK HILL, APPEARS IN OVER
15 100 NEWSPAPERS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES. HE'S A GRADUATE OF
16 DEPAUW UNIVERSITY WITH A DEGREE IN FILM. HE MOVED TO CRESCENTA
17 VALLEY, WHERE HE BECAME INTERESTED IN LOCAL HISTORY. HIS
18 D.V.D., ENTITLED RANCHO-LA CANADA, THEN AND NOW, IS A
19 COMPELLING AND ENTERTAINING FEATURE-LENGTH DOCUMENTARY THAT
20 TAKES A LOOK AT THE HISTORY, EVENTS, AND PEOPLE THAT SHAPED
21 THE CRESCENTA-CANADA VALLEY FROM 1850 TO 1950. IT TELLS
22 FASCINATING STORIES ALONG THE WAY FROM COLONEL PICKENS AND HIS
23 ANTICS TO THE CAL TECH GENIUSES THAT EVENTUALLY FORMED J.P.L.
24 HE USES PREVIOUSLY UNSEEN PHOTOS AND RARE FILM CLIPS TO TELL
25 THE STORIES OF MURDER, LUST, GREED, MIXED WITH KINDNESS AND



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1 CHARITY TO REVEAL HOW THE VALLEY HAS CHANGED OVER THE YEARS.
2 HIS D.V.D. IS SPLIT INTO THREE PARTS, AND THEY'RE VERY
3 INTERESTING BECAUSE THEY'RE IN TWO, THREE, FOUR-MINUTE
4 SEGMENTS AND REALLY MAINTAIN YOUR INTEREST, WHICH DETAILS HOW
5 CIVIL WAR VETERANS IN SEARCH OF A HEALTHFUL CLIMATE
6 TRANSFORMED THE ARID AND ROCKY TERRAIN INTO PRODUCTIVE CITRUS
7 GROVES, OLIVE GROVES AND VINEYARDS. PART TWO IS ON THE HEALTH
8 RESORT, HOW THE VALLEY BECAME A HEALTH RESORT AND TOURIST
9 ATTRACTION. PART THREE WAS A SUBURB WHICH DETAILS THE
10 POPULATION EXPLOSION IN THE VALLEY AND ITS EVOLUTION INTO A
11 SUBURB. JOHN IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE CRESCENTA VALLEY
12 HISTORICAL SOCIETY, WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO INVESTIGATE, RECORD
13 AND CELEBRATE THE HISTORY OF THE VALLEY. AND WE LOOK AT TWO OF
14 THOSE VIDEO CLIPS FROM HIS D.V.D. THE FIRST ONE IS ENTITLED
15 "LANTERMAN." NOW, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND I BOTH HAD THE
16 OPPORTUNITY OF SERVING IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE WITH
17 ASSEMBLYMAN FRANK LANTERMAN, WHOSE PARENTS WERE PART OF THE
18 DEVELOPMENT OF THE CRESCENTA-LA CANADA AREA. LANTERMAN DETAILS
19 HOW THE TWO HEALTH SEEKERS FROM MICHIGAN PURCHASED THE ENTIRE
20 MEXICAN LAND GRANT, KNOWN AS RANCHO LA CANADA. TODAY THAT'S LA
21 CANADA-FLINTRIDGE, LA CRESCENTA, MONTROSE, THE VERDUGO
22 WOODLANDS, NORTH GLENDALE, AND A PORTION OF TUJUNGA. AND THE
23 SECOND VIDEO IS ENTITLED "BABY BOOM," WHICH DETAILS HOW THE
24 VALLEY'S POPULATION EXPLODED AFTER WORLD WAR II WITH THE
25 ARRIVAL OF THE VETERANS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF OUR SUCCESSFUL



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1 G.I. BILL. SO THE FIRST ONE IS ON THE LANTERMAN LAND GRANT. AS
2 YOU CAN SEE.

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4 **VIDEO SPEAKER:** A LARGE MAP OF THE RANCHO HUNG ON THE WALL OF
5 THE DUNKS' HOTEL. MADE FROM THE 1860 SURVEY, THE BOUNDARY
6 LINES WERE MARKED OFF BY LITTLE MORE THAN OAK TREES AND THE
7 OCCASIONAL BOULDER. THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY LINE WAS ONLY A FEW
8 BLOCKS ABOVE WHAT IS TODAY FOOTHILL, NOT BECAUSE THE LAND
9 BEYOND IT WASN'T VALUABLE, BUT BECAUSE THE SURVEYORS DIDN'T
10 WANT TO HIKE UP THE STEEP GRADE. THEY JUSTIFIED THEIR ACTION
11 CLAIMING ONLY BEES WOULD LIVE UP THERE. WITH THE DUNKS AS
12 THEIR GUIDE, THE MEN EXPLORED THE VALLEY, TALKING ENDLESSLY OF
13 ITS POTENTIAL. LANTERMAN AND WILLIAMS PURCHASED THE ENTIRE
14 MEXICAN LAND GRANT KNOWN AS RANCHO-LA CANADA, OVER 6,500 ACRES
15 STRETCHING FROM TUJUNGA TO PASADENA. THEY HOPED TO DIVIDE THE
16 LAND UP AND SELL THE PARCELS AS RANCHES. THE COST FOR THEIR
17 PURCHASE, \$10,000. TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE G.I. BILL, MANY
18 VETS CAME HERE TO START A NEW LIFE AND RAISE A FAMILY.

19

20 **VIDEO SINGER:** [SINGING]THIS IS A G.I. JIVE, MAN ALIVE. IT
21 STARTS WITH THE BUGLER BLOWING REVEILLE OVER YOUR BED WHEN YOU
22 AFTER ARRIVE. JACK, THAT'S THE G.I. JIVE

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1 **VIDEO SPEAKER:** THAT PERIOD SAW THE GREATEST EXPANSION IN
2 POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT WITH NEW SUBDIVISIONS, SCHOOLS AND
3 SHOPPING CENTERS SPRINGING UP EVERYWHERE. (BIG BAND)

4
5 **VIDEO SPEAKER:** IN MANY WAYS, THE VALLEY WE KNOW TODAY WAS
6 FORMED DURING THIS PERIOD MORE THAN ANY OTHER. (MUSIC)

7
8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME, JUST A LITTLE STORY I WANT TO TELL
9 ABOUT THIS VIDEO. A LOT OF US KNOW HISTORY, BUT THEN YOU SEE
10 THIS VIDEO, YOU REALIZE HOW MUCH YOU DON'T KNOW. THERE WAS A
11 MAN BY THE NAME OF FRANK FLINT WHO ACQUIRED THIS PROPERTY AND
12 THEN NAMED IT AFTER HIMSELF. HE ACQUIRED IT FROM THE
13 LANTERMANS, AND THEY WERE VERY UPSET THAT THEY NAMED IT AFTER
14 THIS MAN. WELL, THIS MAN BECAME A UNITED STATES SENATOR, HE
15 REPRESENTED CALIFORNIA. BUT HE HAD A BATTLE AND A PERSONALITY
16 CONFLICT WITH PRESIDENT TEDDY ROOSEVELT, SO THIS IS WHEN THE
17 CONSTITUTION WAS CHANGED SO THAT SENATORS WERE NOW GOING TO BE
18 ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE, NOT APPOINTED BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE.
19 SO SENATOR FLINT DECIDED NOT RUN FOR REELECTION. HE WAS A VERY
20 SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMAN. WHEN JACK WARNER WENT BANKRUPT, HE
21 BAILED HIM OUT TO SAVE WARNER BROS. STUDIO, BUT HE ALSO HAD A
22 SINISTER SIDE TO HIM. HE HAD A VISION TO BUILD ONE OF THE MOST
23 ELABORATE 5-STAR HOTELS IN THE WORLD. AND SO HE BUILT THIS
24 FACILITY, THIS HOTEL, BUT HE HAD A PROBLEM. NOBODY WAS COMING
25 TO VISIT IT. SO WHAT HAPPENED, HE MADE A CONTRACT WITH THE



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1 BILTMORE HOTEL PARTNERSHIP. AND, AGAIN, THEY ONLY HAD, I
2 THINK, NO MORE THAN 11 PEOPLE WHO EVER STAYED AT THIS HOTEL.
3 THEY WENT BANKRUPT. THAT HOTEL TODAY IS SACRED HEART COLLEGE
4 IN LA CANADA. HE ALSO HAD A VISION OF A WORLD CLASS GOLF
5 COURSE, WHICH WE HAD A WORLD CLASS GOLF COURSE WITH THE TOP
6 GOLFERS PLAYING THERE. THAT GOLF COURSE TODAY, THE CLUBHOUSE,
7 IS ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL, AND THE GOLF COURSE IS THE 210
8 FREEWAY. WE HAD THE FIRST ASIAN-AMERICAN OLYMPIC GOLD SWIMMER
9 WIN THE GOLD MEDAL. WHERE SHE TRAINED IN THOSE FAMOUS WATERS
10 IS TODAY THE PARKING LOT OF THE C.V.C. AND IS IT VAUGHN'S OR
11 RALPH'S -- VAUGHN'S DEPARTMENT STORE BECAUSE IT WAS FILLED IN
12 WITH ALL THE DIRT AND THE ROCKS FROM NOW VERDUGO HOSPITAL. BUT
13 SENATOR FLINT HAD A FRAUDULENT SIDE TO HIM AND HE CREATED THIS
14 PYRAMID SCHEME WHICH BANKRUPT MANY PEOPLE. BUT HE WAS ABLE TO
15 BE EXONERATED BY A COUPLE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, ET CETERA,
16 BUT THEN THEY WERE AFTER HIM SO HE WENT TO FRANCE. THEY
17 FINALLY GOT HIM TO COME BACK FROM FRANCE. AND WHILE HE WAS IN
18 THE COURTHOUSE TESTIFYING, ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE THAT HE
19 DEFRAUDED WENT UP THERE AND BLEW HIM AWAY, KILLED HIM RIGHT ON
20 THE WITNESS STAND AND THE TWO DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS THAT
21 LOOKED THE OTHER AWAY GAVE HIM A GREEN PASS, THEN CONVICTED
22 AND SENT TO SAN QUENTIN. ALL THESE LITTLE STORIES ARE ON THIS
23 VIDEO. THE CHINESE, WHO WERE THE GARDENERS OR THE VEGETABLE
24 GROWERS IN SOUTH GLENDALE, THE JAPANESE, WHO DURING THE WAR,
25 WERE THEN INCARCERATED IN THE TUJUNGA AREA. THEY WORKED AS



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1 ORDERLIES IN THE SANITARIUM, WHICH WAS A DRYING OUT CENTER FOR
2 MANY OF THE FAMOUS MOVIE STARS AND CELEBRITIES. BUT THE
3 DIRECTOR OF OUR DESCANSO GARDENS AND I BELIEVE PASTOR
4 PATTERSON, A CHRISTIAN MINISTER IN THE PASADENA AREA, THEY HAD
5 ALL THE STATE OF THE DEPOSIT BOX KEYS FOR THESE JAPANESE-
6 AMERICANS WHO WERE INCARCERATED. AND THEY WENT FROM CAMP TO
7 CAMP HELPING WITH THOSE FAMILIES' TRANSACTIONS. AS A RESULT OF
8 THAT, AFTER THE WAR, THEY WERE HONORED BY THE JAPANESE-
9 AMERICAN COMMUNITY FOR THEIR SERVICE IN GIVING -- HELPING
10 THESE PEOPLE MAINTAIN THEIR ECONOMIC ABILITIES AND PROPERTY
11 RELATIONS TRANSACTIONS. BUT THE DIRECTOR OF DESCANSO THEN GAVE
12 BACK THE PROPERTIES, WHATEVER, AND TODAY THAT'S THE MORI'S
13 NURSERY IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, STILL IN THE MORI FAMILY
14 AND STILL OPERATING TODAY. IT'S GOT A BEAUTIFUL, REMARKABLE
15 HISTORY OF OUR COUNTY, SPECIFICALLY CRESCENTA VALLEY, LA
16 CANADA, AND THE TUJUNGA AREA. AND I WILL ASK JOHN WHEN HE'S
17 GIVEN THIS PROCLAMATION TO ALSO GIVE YOU THE TELEPHONE NUMBER
18 TO ACQUIRE THIS. IT HAS THE MOST MEANINGFUL PRESENTATION AND
19 IT'S DONE IN TWO, THREE, FOUR-MINUTE SEGMENTS, SO YOU'RE NEVER
20 TIRED OF IT. AND HIS DELETED FILMS ARE JUST AS GOOD AS THOSE
21 THAT ARE IN THERE. IT'S ONE OF THE MOST PRICELESS HISTORIES OF
22 OUR COUNTY TO SHOW YOU HOW WE WERE. ANOTHER EXAMPLE, THEY HAD
23 A ONE-ROOM SCHOOLHOUSE IN LA CANADA AND OUT OF FLINTRIDGE,
24 CRESCENTA VALLEY, AND THIS TEACHER STARTED TEACHING KIDS HOW
25 TO DANCE. WELL, YOU WEREN'T SUPPOSED TO DANCE. SO THEY HAD A



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1 REFERENDUM, PUT IT ON THE BALLOT, THEY WANTED TO GET RID OF
2 THE TEACHER, DO AWAY WITH THIS DANCING. SO THEY WERE VOTING
3 WHEN THIS FARMER SHOWS UP WITH ALL THESE MEXICAN WORKERS TO
4 VOTE. THEY SAID, "WELL, YOU CAN'T VOTE." THEY SAID, "WHAT DO
5 YOU MEAN? MEXICO USED TO OWN THIS." SO THEY VOTED AND THEY
6 VOTED IN DANCING BECAUSE THEY WERE FOR DANCING, BUT THE MAYOR
7 WHO GOT ELECTED ON A DANCING PLATFORM, I GUESS, HE DIDN'T
8 IMPLEMENT IT FOR ANOTHER 10 YEARS. SO JUST, AGAIN, ALL THESE
9 LITTLE HISTORIES. SO LET ME GIVE THIS TO JOHN AND THANK
10 MICHAEL FROM THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. [APPLAUSE]

11
12 **JOHN NEWCOMBE:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR
13 THIS PRESENTATION. AND IF YOU WANT THE VIDEO, IT'S AVAILABLE
14 AT RANCHOLACANADA.COM. OR YOU CAN JUST TYPE IN RANCHO LA
15 CANADA INTO GOOGLE. THIS WAS ORIGINALLY INTENDED JUST TO BE A
16 VIDEO PRESENTATION FOR THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE CRESCENTA
17 VALLEY, AND IT SORT OF SNOWBALLED INTO A FEATURE-LENGTH FILM.
18 AND EVEN THOUGH YOU MAY NOT LIVE IN THE CRESCENTA-CANADA
19 VALLEY, IT DOES HAVE AN INTEREST FOR ANYBODY WHO'S INTERESTED
20 IN THE HISTORY OF LOS ANGELES. AND ONE ONE OF THE INTERESTING
21 SIDE EFFECTS OF DOING THIS HISTORY OF THE VALLEY WAS I CAME TO
22 REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF GOOD ZONING LAWS. AS A DYED IN THE
23 WOOL CAPITALIST, I CAME TO REALIZE THERE'S A HUGE DIFFERENCE
24 BETWEEN GOOD DEVELOPMENT AND BAD DEVELOPMENT. AND GOOD
25 DEVELOPMENT REALLY BRINGS UP THE PROPERTY VALUE FOR EVERYONE.



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1 AND SO EVEN THOUGH I'M VERY PRO DEVELOPMENT, I REALIZE THAT,
2 JUST LIKE J.F.K. SAID OF THE ECONOMY "WHEN THE WATER IN THE
3 RIVER RISES, ALL THE BOATS GO UP," SO ALSO GOOD DEVELOPMENT
4 WILL SHORE UP AN ENTIRE COMMUNITY, AND YOU REALLY SEE THAT
5 WHEN YOU COMPARE THE THEN-AND-NOW IMAGES IN THIS FILM. SO EVEN
6 THOUGH I'M TOOTING MY OWN HORN, I DO RECOMMEND YOU GET IT,
7 IT'S VERY ENTERTAINING. AND I REALLY, REALLY APPRECIATE THIS
8 PRESENTATION. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY ALSO -- BECAUSE THEY HAD VERY SERIOUS
11 FIRES IN THE EARLY 1900S, AS A RESULT OF THAT, WE HAD
12 LANDSLIDES YEARS LATER AND MANY PEOPLE WERE KILLED FROM THESE
13 BIG BOULDERS COMING DOWN FROM THE ANGELES CREST MOUNTAINS. AND
14 ONE OF THE BOULDERS WAS SO LARGE, THEY TRIED TO BREAK IT UP,
15 AND THEY COULDN'T BREAK IT UP. SO WHAT THEY DID, THEY DUG A
16 HOLE AND THEY BURIED IT, AND THAT'S WHERE SMITH TOYOTA AND THE
17 PENNSYLVANIA ON-RAMP OF THE 210 FREEWAY IS TODAY. THEY HAD TO
18 BURY THE BOULDER AND THAT'S WHERE THE BOULDER RESTS TODAY. NOW
19 WE HAVE LITTLE HOWARD. HE'S ONLY 16 WEEKS OLD, A LITTLE
20 POMERANIAN MIX, WHO IS LOOKING FOR A HOME, AND HERE'S HOWARD.
21 HE'D ALSO MAKE A GOOD TELEVISION SERIES OF "HOWARD IN LOS
22 ANGELES." SO LITTLE HOWARD IS LOOKING FOR A HOME, A LITTLE
23 INQUISITIVE. HOW YOU DOING, HOWARD? SO ANYBODY WHO'D LIKE TO
24 ADOPT HOWARD, (562) 728-4644, LITTLE HOWARD CAN BE YOURS.



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1 OKAY? YOU LIKE YVONNE? HE LIKES YVONNE. LOOK AT HIM LOOK AT
2 YOU. HE FOUND A FRIEND. HE FOUND A FRIEND.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
5 PRESENTATIONS? I ASSUME NOT. I DON'T SEE ANYTHING THAT SHE HAS
6 THERE. I'M GOING TO CALL FORWARD ROBIN KAY, CHIEF DEPUTY, LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. SHE'S HAVING A BIG
8 DAY TODAY, AND NANCY CARTER OF THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF MENTAL
9 ILLNESS, N.A.M.I., URBAN L.A., ELLIS GORDON, HUSBAND OF BEBE
10 MOORE CAMPBELL, AND WE HAVE A WHOLE GROUP OF OTHER PEOPLE THAT
11 I'M GOING TO LET SOMEONE INTRODUCE. BUT MENTAL ILLNESS IS ONE
12 OF THE LEADING CAUSES OF DISABILITIES IN THE UNITED STATES.
13 MULTIPLE MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS CAN OFTEN LEAD TO OTHER
14 ILLNESSES, SUCH AS DIABETES, HEALTH DISEASE, HEART DISEASE,
15 H.I.V./A.I.D.S., AND CANCER. MENTAL ILLNESS AFFECTS ONE OF
16 FOUR FAMILIES, AND TWO-THIRDS OF THE PEOPLE WITH ILLNESS DO
17 NOT SEEK MEDICAL TREATMENT DUE TO THE STIGMA, LACK OF
18 COMMUNITY-BASED RESOURCES, AND INADEQUATE OR NO DIAGNOSIS.
19 REPORTS SITE THAT CAUCASIANS ARE MORE LIKELY TO RECEIVE
20 TREATMENT THAN AFRICAN-AMERICANS, AND THAT AFRICAN-AMERICANS
21 ARE MISDIAGNOSED AT A HIGHER RATE. THE LATE BEBE MOORE
22 CAMPBELL WAS A STAPLE TO THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITY. HER
23 DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO MENTAL HEALTH AND TO WELLNESS
24 THROUGH EFFECTIVE TREATMENT OPTIONS OPENED ACCESS TO MENTAL
25 HEALTH SERVICES AND IMPROVED COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND IT REMAINS



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1 UNMATCHED. AND WE ALL REMEMBER HER SO WELL, A GREAT AUTHOR,
2 COMMENTATOR, ACTIVIST. SHE WAS CERTAINLY AN ACTIVIST IN THE
3 SECOND DISTRICT. SHE WAS A PERSON WHO WAS INVOLVED IN HER
4 COMMUNITY AS WELL AS, OF COURSE, A NATIONALLY KNOWN AUTHOR AND
5 LECTURER. AND TODAY, IT'S WITH GREAT PLEASURE WE RECOGNIZE THE
6 LATE BEBE MOORE CAMPBELL'S LEGACY: ADVOCATE, JOURNALIST, NOTED
7 AUTHOR, COMMUNITY ACTIVIST AND CO-FOUNDER OF THE NATIONAL
8 ALLIANCE OF MENTAL ILLNESS-URBAN LOS ANGELES. AND WE PRESENT
9 THIS SCROLL TO DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD AND NANCY CARTER AND ALSO,
10 OF COURSE, TO MR. GORDON, HER HUSBAND, AS WE PROCLAIM THE BEBE
11 MOORE CAMPBELL NATIONAL MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS
12 MONTH, THIS IS A NATIONALLY ACCEPTED MONTH. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND WHERE IS DR. SOUTHARD?

15

16 **ROBIN KAY:** HE'S ON VACATION.

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND NANCY, YOU'RE OVER HERE?

19

20 **NANCY CARTER:** I'M RIGHT HERE, SUPERVISOR.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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24 **ROBIN KAY:** I'D LIKE TO SAY A PROFOUND FOUND THANK YOU TO
25 SUPERVISOR BURKE AND THE BOARD FOR RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF



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2 AWARENESS MONTH. IN HER BOOK, 72-HOUR HOLD, BEBE MOORE
3 CAMPBELL TOOK US ON AN INCREDIBLE JOURNEY OF UNDERSTANDING OF
4 THE EXPERIENCES THAT PEOPLE WHO HAVE A MENTAL ILLNESS AND
5 THEIR FAMILIES ENCOUNTER. AND IN DOING SO, SHE HELPED ERASE
6 THE STIGMA EXPERIENCED BY THOSE INVOLVED WITH SOMEONE WHO HAS
7 A MENTAL ILLNESS. THIS IS OF CRITICAL IMPORTANCE TO THE
8 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TODAY BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT WITH
9 HELP AND WITH HOPE, RECOVERY IS POSSIBLE FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE A
10 BRAIN ILLNESS. SO THANK YOU AND I'D LIKE TO TURN THE
11 MICROPHONE OVER TO NANCY CARTER.

12

13 **NANCY CARTER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, EVERYONE FOR HAVING US. AND
14 ESPECIALLY TO SUPERVISOR YVONNE BURKE, WHO LITERALLY HAS BEEN
15 THE WIND BENEATH OUR WINGS SINCE WE STARTED OUR N.A.M.I.
16 CHAPTER EIGHT YEARS AGO. I'D ALSO LIKE TO INTRODUCE AND BRING
17 UP SOME OF THE FOLKS THAT BEBE DEDICATED HER BOOK TO. DR. LYNN
18 GOODLOWE, BEHIND ME, OUR PRESIDENT. DR. BENITA COUNSEL, ROSINA
19 GUZMAN ERLICH, THAT BEBE LOVINGLY NICKNAMED MAMASITA ROSINA,
20 FOR HER POWERFUL ADVOCACY IN THE LATINA COMMUNITY. WE HAVE SO
21 MANY FRIENDS HERE TODAY. WE HAVE DAVID YIM FROM SPECIAL
22 SERVICES FOR GROUPS. WE HAVE BRENDA INGRAM FROM B.D. HIRSCH.
23 WE HAVE DR. JACK BARBER FROM SOUTH CENTRAL HEALTH AND
24 REHABILITATION SERVICES. WE HAVE FOLKS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL'S
25 OFFICE. WE ARE JUST SO VERY, VERY GRATEFUL TO EVERYONE FOR



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1 RECOGNIZING THIS NATIONAL HISTORIC MOMENT IN TIME. MINORITY
2 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES ARE GRAVE IN THIS COUNTY AND ACROSS THE
3 UNITED STATES. WITH A NATIONAL BILL NOW DEDICATING A MONTH NOW
4 TO MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS, WE BELIEVE WE HAVE A
5 POWERFUL TOOL FOR CHANGE. SO WE THANK YOU FOR HAVING US HERE
6 TODAY. AND THE LAST PERSON I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE WHO, I THINK
7 WILL ONE DAY BE SITTING IN THIS SEAT, IS MR. KEELAN GREEN. HE
8 IS THE GRANDSON OF DR. LYNN GOODLOWE, AND HE HAS GREAT
9 ASPIRATIONS TO GET INTO U.S.C. AND TO GET INTO POLITICS ONE
10 DAY, AND HE'S ONE OF OUR NUMBER ONE SUPPORTERS. THANK YOU SO
11 MUCH.

12

13 **ELLIS GORDON:** I'LL BE BRIEF. THANK YOU SO MUCH ON BEHALF OF
14 BEBE MOORE CAMPBELL, AND I WILL LEAVE YOU WITH HER MANTRA.
15 RING THE BELLS THAT STILL CAN RING FORGET YOUR PERFECT
16 OFFERING. THERE'S A CRACK IN EVERYTHING. THAT'S HOW THE LIGHT
17 GETS IN. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IF YOU CAN SEE THE CAMERA-- I
20 THINK THAT CONCLUDES THE PRESENTATIONS. SUPERVISOR KNABE,
21 YOU'RE UP FIRST.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
24 UNFORTUNATELY I HAVE A NUMBER OF ADJOURNMENTS TODAY. FIRST OF
25 ALL, THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF A GOOD FRIEND, AL



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1 D'ALESSANDRO, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 20TH. HE WAS RETIRED
2 FROM THE LOS ANGELES CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND HAD A
3 CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LATER ON, D & H. HE SPENT MANY YEARS
4 VOLUNTEERING ON COMMISSIONS FOR DOWNEY. BUT I THINK MOST
5 IMPORTANTLY, HE WAS THE BACKBONE OF MANY COMMUNITY-BASED
6 ORGANIZATIONS AND CHAIRED MANY FUND RAISING EVENTS. HE WAS A
7 TRUE PHILANTHROPIST. HE HAD A REAL PASSION FOR PEOPLE AND GOLF
8 AND WILL BE MISSED BY ALL OF THOSE WHO KNEW HIM. HE'S SURVIVED
9 BY HIS WIFE, JOHNNIE; A BROTHER, FRANK; TWO DAUGHTERS; THREE
10 SONS; AND SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
11 MEMORY OF PAULA EGAN OF BELLFLOWER, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
12 OF 66. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE BELLFLOWER COMMUNITY AND A
13 STRONG SUPPORTER OF Y.M.C.A. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND,
14 JAMES; CHILDREN, JULIE AND MICHAEL; AND GRANDSON, WYATT.
15 ALTHOUGH WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MARILYN RYAN. MARILYN WAS
16 A LEADER IN THE INCORPORATION OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES, THE
17 CITY'S FIRST MAYOR. SHE PASSED -- OKAY. BUT SHE SERVED TWO
18 TERMS IN THE STATE ASSEMBLY AND WAS THE ORGANIZER OF PROP 20,
19 THE COASTAL PROTECTION. SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED WITH THE ARTS
20 COUNCIL, AN APPOINTMENT MADE BY THEN GOVERNOR GEORGE
21 DEUKMEJIAN. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, STEPHANIE, TWO
22 GRANDDAUGHTERS, AND ONE GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER. ALSO THAT WE
23 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BILL OWEN, LONG-TIME FAMILY FRIEND,
24 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 87. HE WORKED FOR MANY YEARS AT
25 MCDONNELL DOUGLAS, BUT THEN AFTER THE WAR WENT INTO HIS OWN



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1 BUSINESS AND WOUND UP HAVING A VERY SUCCESSFUL TRUCKING
2 COMPANY. HE WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL IN THE CATTLE BUSINESS AND WAS
3 JUST AN ALL AROUND GOOD GUY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 65
4 YEARS, VIRGINIA; SONS, GREG AND DAVID; THREE GRANDCHILDREN;
5 SEVEN GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN; AND ONE GREAT-GREAT-GRANDSON. ALSO
6 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SCOTT WAXLER OF MANHATTAN BEACH
7 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE VERY YOUNG AGE OF 51. HE IS SURVIVED BY
8 HIS WIFE, MARIA; SONS, DEXTER AND ALEX; PARENTS ROBERTA AND
9 JERRY. HE WAS A MUSIC AND JAZZ LOVER. HE HOSTED A JAZZ RADIO
10 SHOW ON K.S.D.S.-F.M. IN SAN DIEGO. WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY
11 OF BRIAN SWEENEY OF MANHATTAN BEACH WHO LOST HIS VALIANT FIGHT
12 WITH DIABETES. GRADUATED FROM MIRA COSTA IN 1958, SPENT MUCH
13 OF HIS TIME PLAYING 2-MAN VOLLEYBALL AND WORKED AS A LIFEGUARD
14 FOR THE LOS ANGELES CITY POOL DISTRICT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
15 WIFE, SUSAN; SON, PATRICK; DAUGHTER, KIRSTEN. ALSO THAT WE
16 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF WALTER SHISHIM, BORN IN VENICE,
17 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84, SERVED 30 YEARS IN THE UNITED
18 STATES NAVY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, RICKY; SON, WALTER,
19 JR.; DAUGHTER, DEBBY; SISTER, NAZLEE; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN.
20 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CISSY KOMP, A LONG-TIME
21 RESIDENT OF SOUTH BAY. SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED IN COMPUTER
22 PROGRAMMING. SHE, IN THE 1970S, BECAME THE FIRST EMPLOYEE OF
23 SOON TO BE HUGE C.I.S., WHICH IS CUSTOM INFORMATION SYSTEMS.
24 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 27 YEARS, THOMAS; DAUGHTERS,
25 SHELLY AND CRISTINA; AND SON, LARRY. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY



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1 OF JOE GARCIA, A HERMOSA BEACH RESIDENT. HE WAS A
2 VETERINARIAN, AND HE PRACTICED IN GARDENA AND TORRANCE. HE WAS
3 VERY INVOLVED WITH PROGRAMS AT THE BEACH CITIES HEALTH
4 DISTRICT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, IRENE; THREE SIBLINGS,
5 SEVEN CHILDREN, FOUR STEPCHILDREN, 21 GRANDCHILDREN, AND FIVE
6 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
7 JAKE BULTSMA. HE WAS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 48 YEARS, JANICE;
8 THREE SONS, MIKE, DARREN AND RANDY; TEN GRANDCHILDREN; AND
9 MANY OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS. GREAT GUY. ALSO THAT WE
10 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF WANDA BROWN, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE
11 AGE OF 83. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE SONS, PATRICK, KENNETH
12 AND PAUL, SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN, FOUR GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN.
13 FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CECIL PRICE BOOKOUT,
14 OF CYPRESS, WHO WAS SURROUNDED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE
15 GRADUATED FROM PARAMOUNT HIGH SCHOOL, ATTENDED CERRITOS
16 COLLEGE. HE WORKED FOR OVER 20 YEARS AT CARLTON FORGE WORKS.
17 HE JUST WAS A STRONG SENSE OF HUMOR, QUICK WIT, AND VERY
18 DEVOTED TO FAMILY. HE'S SURVIVED BY WIFE AND CHILDHOOD
19 SWEETHEART OF 43 YEARS, LINDA; THREE CHILDREN, MICHELLE,
20 CHRISTY, SEAN; SEVERAL GRANDCHILDREN; BROTHER, TRUIS; AND MANY
21 OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. MADAM CHAIR, THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.
22
23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PAMELA ANN WATHEY RHEUDE, THE SISTER OF
2 SHARRY CRAIL AND SISTER-IN-LAW TO JOE CRAIL, FORMER CHAIRMAN
3 OF THE ECONOMY EFFICIENCY COMMISSION AND GOOD FRIEND, PASSED
4 AWAY JUNE 22ND AT THE AGE OF 54. IN 1979, SHE WAS IN AN
5 AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT MAKING HER A C-5 QUADRIPLÉGIC. SHE HAD A
6 STRONG FAITH IN GOD AND CONNECTION WITH GOD, WHICH HELPED HER
7 PRESERVE THROUGH HER TRAGEDY SO THAT SHE WAS ABLE TO
8 SUCCESSFULLY PURSUE HER CAREER AS A DEVOTED MOTHER, AND SHE
9 WAS VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THE WONDERFUL SUPPORT SHE RECEIVED AT
10 RANCHO LOS AMIGOS HOSPITAL. ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND, MARYJANE
11 WOODROW HARRIS, PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 22ND AT 81 YEARS OF AGE.
12 SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.
13 SHE WAS QUITE INVOLVED ON CAMPUS WITH THE AMAZON HONORARY
14 SOCIETY AND THE MORTAR BOARD. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE SAN
15 GABRIEL AREA. SHE WON THE BETSY ROSS AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING
16 WOMEN, REPUBLICAN WOMEN. SHE WAS INVOLVED WITH THE P.T.A., CUB
17 SCOUT LEADER, TEAM MOTHER FOR VARIOUS SPORTS TEAMS AND A BOYS'
18 BIBLE STUDY GROUP. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, JOHN, JR.;
19 AND HER SON, JOHN, III. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL LADY, REALLY
20 COMMITTED TO HER COMMUNITY. KATHERINE BOGDANOVICH LOKER PASSED
21 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. HER FATHER STARTED STARKIST TUNA. BUT
22 BECAUSE OF THE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST CROATIANS, WHEN THEY
23 STARTED, THEY WERE NAMED A FRENCH SARDINE COMPANY. AND AS A
24 RESULT, THAT FRENCH SARDINE COMPANY GREW INTO STARKIST TUNA,
25 WHICH WAS ONE OF THE MAJOR TUNA COMPANIES IN THE WORLD. SHE



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1 WAS A MAJOR PHILANTHROPIST IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. SHE BUILT
2 THE RICHARD NIXON LIBRARY MUSEUM'S 47,000-SQUARE-FOOT ADDITION
3 THAT CREATED THE EAST ROOM OF THE WHITE HOUSE. SHE WAS A
4 STUDENT AND GRADUATE OF U.S.C., WHERE SHE MAJORED IN ENGLISH
5 AND WAS A MEMBER OF THE TRACK WOMEN'S TEAM. THEY DONATED \$30
6 MILLION TO U.S.C. IN 1977. THE \$15 MILLION THEY ESTABLISHED
7 U.S.C.'S LOKER HYDROCARBON RESEARCH INSTITUTE, AIDED PROFESSOR
8 GEORGE OLA IN WINNING THE NOBEL PRIZE IN 1994 IN CHEMISTRY.
9 SHE WAS A LARGE PHILANTHROPIST AND VERY PROUD MATRON OF THE
10 BOGDANOVICH CROATIAN COMMUNITY. I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO MOVE THAT
11 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ROBERT SOLIS, DEPUTY RETIRED LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF, WHOSE LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS AT THE EAST
13 LOS ANGELES STATION. SHANE BYRD, AGE 18, PASSED AWAY ON JUNE
14 18TH, A RECENT GRADUATE FROM DESERT CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL. AND
15 HE WAS ALSO A SCRIBE AT ANTELOPE VALLEY HOSPITAL IN THE
16 EMERGENCY ROOM. ROBERT STEWART, WHO WAS A FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR AT
17 MIRA LOMA DURING WORLD WAR II. HE WAS ACTIVE IN THE UNITED
18 STATES ARMY AIR CORPS, TRAVELED THE WORLD DURING HIS 25 TENURE
19 AS A PILOT FOR THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE. HE RESIDED IN THE
20 ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE SERVED BOTH IN WORLD WAR II AND THE KOREAN
21 WAR. AND ZOE PFAEFFLE FROM THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY PASSED
22 AWAY. AND ANOTHER IS ANN GELALICH HARRINGTON. SHE WAS ONE OF
23 THE FOUNDING MEMBERS OF ST. STEVENS SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH IN
24 MONTEREY PARK, AND ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE SHE WAS QUITE
25 INVOLVED. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR? MADAM CHAIR, COULD I JUST ADD ONE? WE
5 JUST FOUND OUT. I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MARY
6 MORGAN, WHO WAS A RETIRED C.I.O. OF HARBOR-U.C.L.A. SHE WAS A
7 COUNTY EMPLOYEE FOR MORE THAN 35 YEARS AND A LONG-TIME
8 LAKEWOOD RESIDENT. WE RECEIVED WORD THAT SHE PASSED AWAY THIS
9 MORNING. SO WE SEND OUR CONDOLENCES TO HER FAMILY AND
10 COLLEAGUES AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'M GOING TO CALL UP ITEM 69.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS PUBLIC WORKS COMING UP? AND ARNOLD
19 SACHS, WOULD YOU PLEASE COME FORWARD?

20

21 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. YOU HAVE BEFORE
22 YOU TODAY MY REPORT ON THE GOVERNOR'S STATEWIDE DROUGHT
23 DECLARATION AND WHAT ACTIONS THE COUNTY HAS UNDERTAKEN TO HELP
24 CONSERVE OUR WATER RESOURCES. MY REPORT PROVIDES A DISCUSSION
25 ON THE MANY WATER CONSERVATION EFFORTS ALREADY UNDERTAKEN BY



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1 THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, THE IMPACTS OF THE DROUGHT OF THE
2 COUNTY AND ITS WATERWORKS DISTRICTS AND ACCOMMODATIONS FOR
3 ACTIONS BY YOUR BOARD TO BETTER PREPARE THE COUNTY TO RESPOND
4 TO THIS DROUGHT. I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE OF ACTIONS
5 ALREADY UNDERWAY. JUST A YEAR AGO, YOU CREATED THE OFFICE OF
6 WATER RECYCLING TO HELP INCREASE THE USE OF RECYCLED WATER
7 WITHIN THE COUNTY. WE HAVE ALREADY ACHIEVED SEVERAL SUCCESSES
8 WITHIN THE COUNTY IN MOVING OUR GOLF COURSES TO RECYCLED
9 WATER. YOU WILL ALSO HAVE BEFORE YOU IN THE COMING MONTHS
10 RECOMMENDATIONS ON LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
11 DROUGHT-TOLERANT LANDSCAPING AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GREEN
12 BUILDING STANDARDS. FOR MANY YEARS NOW, THE DEPARTMENT OF
13 PUBLIC WORKS HAS BEEN CONSERVING NEARLY 280,000 ACRE FEET
14 ANNUALLY OF LOCAL RUN-OFF IN ADDITION TO IMPORTED AND RECYCLED
15 WATERS. IN GENERAL, THE IMPACTS OF THE DROUGHT TO COUNTY
16 RESIDENTS WILL VARY. THOSE RESIDENTS THAT DEPEND HEAVILY ON
17 WATER IMPORTED FROM NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND DO NOT HAVE
18 GROUNDWATER SUPPLIES WILL EXPERIENCE THE MOST IMPACT. HOWEVER,
19 DUE TO THE EXTRAORDINARY CONSERVATIONAL EFFORTS AND THE
20 CONTINUED DRAW DOWN OF OUR AREA STORAGE SUPPLIES, WE SHOULD BE
21 ALL RIGHT FOR THE REMAINING OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR. HOWEVER,
22 SHOULD THE DRY CONDITION CONTINUE INTO THE NEXT YEAR, OUR
23 RETAIL AND WHOLESALE WATER AGENCIES MAY NEED TO IMPLEMENT
24 MANDATORY WATER RATIONING PLANS. IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE THE
25 IMPACT OF FUTURE ACTIONS, WE NEED TO DO MORE TO INSURE



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1 ADDITIONAL REDUCTIONS IN CURRENT WATER USE. MY SUGGESTED
2 RECOMMENDATION WILL HELP ACHIEVE THOSE REDUCTIONS. THANK YOU
3 VERY MUCH, AND IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'LL BE MORE THAN
4 HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MR. SACHS?

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS, BUT I'D LIKE TO HEAR
9 FROM ARNOLD AND THEN WE CAN ASK THE QUESTIONS.

10

11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS, VERY
12 QUICKLY. I APPRECIATE THE REPORT. WILL THE SUGGESTIONS BE MADE
13 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC, CERTAIN THINGS THE PUBLIC CAN TAKE
14 OTHER AND ABOVE WHAT THE COUNTY DOES. AND IN A RELATED VEIN,
15 I'D JUST LIKE TO KNOW THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS
16 PLANNING ON DECLARING SOME EMERGENCY SHELTERS, COOL SHELTERS
17 FOR THE SUMMER IF IT GETS EXCEEDINGLY WARM SO THAT PEOPLE WILL
18 HAVE AN IDEA WHERE TO GO, WHERE THEY MAY NOT STAY IN THEIR
19 HOMES NECESSARILY WITHOUT BEING COOL AND MAYBE EVEN USE MORE
20 WATER THAT WAY. ANYTHING THAT CAN CONSERVE THE WATER. IT'S
21 GOING TO BE A PROBLEM. THERE WAS A STORY YESTERDAY ON THE
22 N.B.C. NEWS REGARDING SHELL PRODUCTION IN COLORADO WHERE THEY
23 WANT TO USE THREE GALLONS OF WATER TO TAKE OUT ONE GALLON OF
24 SHELL OIL, AND THEY'RE LOOKING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THAT. IT'S



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1 GOING TO BE A REAL PROBLEM. LOOKING FORWARD FOR THE REPORT.

2 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR ANSWERS.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THEN KNABE, THEN
5 YAROSLAVSKY.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT'S THE IMPACT ON THE GOVERNOR'S DROUGHT
8 DECLARATION FOR L.A. COUNTY? AND IS OUR DROUGHT ANY DIFFERENT
9 THAN PREVIOUS DROUGHTS THAT WE'VE HAD?

10

11 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** FIRST OF ALL, FOR THIS CALENDAR YEAR, AS I
12 HAVE INDICATED ON MY REPORT, EVERYTHING IS GOING TO BE OKAY,
13 WE HAVE PLENTY AND ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLIES. HOWEVER, NEXT
14 YEAR, DEPENDING UPON IF THE DROUGHT CONTINUES, WE MAY HAVE TO
15 TAKE MANDATORY RATIONING PROGRAMS TO CONSERVE WATER. SO IT'S
16 UP TO EVERY WATER COMPANY TO DO THAT. AND THE DIFFERENCE
17 BETWEEN WHAT HAPPENED THE PREVIOUS DROUGHT BACK IN 1992 AND
18 NOW, IS FIRST OF ALL, THE COLORADO SURPLUS WATER IS NOT
19 AVAILABLE AS IT USED TO BE. AND SECOND, THE JUDGE'S DECISION
20 OF REDUCING THE PUMPING FROM THE STATE WATER HERE HAS IMPACTED
21 US.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE HAVE ENOUGH STORED WATER IN OUR
24 RESERVOIRS FOR THIS YEAR BUT NOT FOR NEXT YEAR?

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1 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** YES.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW DOES THE PUBLIC WORKS REBATE PROGRAM
4 FOR WATERWORKS DISTRICT CUSTOMERS WORK?

5

6 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** THANKS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THANK
7 YOU, WE RECENTLY ADOPTED THIS ORDINANCE LAST MONTH. AND WE'RE
8 PROVIDING REBATES TO ANYBODY THAT IS REQUESTING IT, PROVIDING
9 IT'S USEFUL BETWEEN 50 TO \$150.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO ALL OF THE WATERWORKS DISTRICTS HAVE A
12 TIERED BILLING SYSTEM TO PROVIDE INCENTIVES FOR PEOPLE TO--

13

14 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** I BELIEVE THERE IS ONLY TWO WATERWORKS
15 DISTRICTS, WATERWORKS DISTRICT 29 AND WATERWORKS DISTRICT 40
16 THAT HAS THAT. BUT IN THE PROCESS OF PROVIDING THE ADDITIONAL
17 REGULATIONS, BRING IT TO THE BOARD IN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS SO
18 WE CAN ADOPT THE SAME REGULATIONS FOR ALL THE DISTRICTS.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DO OTHER WATER DISTRICTS THAT HAVE THEIR
21 OWN ELECTED BODIES HAVE DEVELOPED TIERED PROGRAMS TO INCENTIVE
22 --

23

24 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** NOT ALL OF THEM. SOME HAVE, SOME DO NOT.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW DO WE MOTIVATE THEM TO JOIN THE
2 CAUSE?

3

4 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** BASICALLY, WE'RE WORKING TOGETHER WITH ALL
5 THE VARIOUS AGENCIES. AND TO DO THAT, AND THERE ARE SIX
6 PARTICULAR WATER AGENCIES, INCLUDING THE METROPOLITAN WATER
7 DISTRICT, THAT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THEY'RE TRYING TO DO,
8 BASICALLY, I DON'T LIKE TO USE THE WORD PENALTIES, BUT THAT'S
9 WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE DOING, THEY'RE GOING TO BE DOING
10 PENALTIES IF A DECLARATION IS APPROVED THAT SAYS WE HAVE TO
11 REDUCE THE WATER SUPPLIES.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DISTRICT 4, THEY'VE COMMITTED FUNDING TO
14 PROPOSED WATER BANK IN AMAROSA CREEK IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY?

15

16 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** YES WE HAVE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE DRAFT WATER CONSERVATION ORDINANCE IS
19 CURRENTLY BEING CONSIDERED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING
20 COMMISSION. BUT IS IT CORRECT THAT THE ORDINANCE WOULD REDUCE
21 IN-HOME WATER USAGE BY AS MUCH AS 70% IN CERTAIN
22 UNINCORPORATED PARTS OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY?

23



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1 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** SUPERVISOR, DEPENDING UPON WHAT IS GOING TO
2 BE HAPPENING, BUT IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF BETWEEN 40 TO 70%,
3 YES.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GIVEN THESE AND OTHER WATER CONSERVATION
6 PROGRAMS AND ASSUMING THAT THE BOARD WOULD ADOPT YOUR
7 RECOMMENDATIONS, ARE YOU COMFORTABLE THAT WE'RE DOING
8 EVERYTHING NECESSARY TO PROMOTE WATER CONSERVATION?

9

10 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** YES, I AM.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THERE ANY BOND MONEY LEFT FROM PREVIOUSLY
13 APPROVED BONDS AT THE STATE LEVEL TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL WATER
14 DELIVERIES TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA?

15

16 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** THERE IS NOT MUCH MONEY AVAILABLE UNDER
17 PROPOSITION 50, BUT UNDER PROPOSITION 84 IN 1-E, THEY HAVE NOT
18 SET THE REGULATIONS YET OR THE GUIDELINES. THERE MAY BE MONEY
19 AVAILABLE TO DO THAT, ESPECIALLY FOR RECYCLING PROJECTS AND
20 CONSERVATION PROJECTS.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE THERE ANY PENDING BILLS, BECAUSE THE
23 LEGISLATURE I BELIEVE WILL ADJOURN IN ABOUT FOUR WEEKS, SIX
24 WEEKS, THAT ARE PENDING ADOPTION THAT WOULD HAVE RELIEVED
25 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA OF THE IMPACT OF THIS DROUGHT?



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2 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY AT THE PRESENT TIME, BUT
3 I'VE BEEN HEARING ENCOURAGING REPORTS THAT WE MAY HAVE IN A
4 NOVEMBER BALLOT AN INITIATIVE BASICALLY THAT WILL HELP EITHER
5 BUILD OR DO SOMETHING WITH THE ISOLATED FACILITIES AROUND THE
6 DELTA.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PROBLEM WITH PREVIOUS BALLOT PROPOSITIONS
9 THAT HAVE BEEN PASSED, THOSE RESOURCES END UP INTO ADDITIONAL
10 CONSULTANTS AND STUDIES AND THEY DON'T HAVE BEFORE THE VOTERS
11 A PLAN READY TO GO SO THAT THE DOLLARS ARE GOING TO GO INTO
12 THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT, OR THE DELIVERY OF WATER AND
13 NOT INTO JUST A BIG FAT BUREAUCRACY.

14

15 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** ONE OF THE BIGGEST PROBLEMS THAT WE'RE HAVING
16 IS THE CRITERIA HAVE NOT SET UP CLEARLY TO IDENTIFY WHERE THE
17 MONEY IS GOING TO BE GOING, AND ONE OF MY BIGGEST CONCERNS IS
18 THAT OUR COUNTY IS NOT RECEIVING ITS FAIR SHARE OF THE
19 PROPOSITION MONEY.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SAME WAY THEY DID ON TRANSPORTATION COSTS, OR
22 PROJECTS. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAD -- REGARDING THE -- YOU KNOW, I BROUGHT THE
25 MOTION A YEAR AGO ON THE OFFICE OF WATER RECYCLING. DO WE HAVE



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1 AN INVENTORY OF ALL THE COUNTY PARKS AND COUNTY FACILITIES
2 THAT CAN EFFECTIVELY USE THE RECYCLED WATER?

3

4 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** WE ARE IN THE PROCESS. AND WHAT WE HAVE DONE
5 SO FAR IS WE HAVE CREATED A DATABASE, BASICALLY, THAT SHOWS
6 WHERE ALL THESE FACILITIES ARE, WHERE THE BUILDINGS ARE, AND
7 ANY BUILDING WITHIN A MILE AWAY FROM THE NEAREST RECYCLED
8 WATER WE'LL BE ASKING THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO IDENTIFY. AND
9 BASICALLY WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE IDENTIFYING IS HOW MUCH
10 WATER THEY'RE GOING TO BE USING AND WHAT WILL BE THE COST TO
11 CONNECT FROM THE EXISTING SYSTEM TO THE BUILDING.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, SO WE ARE MAPPING AND ANALYZING AND WE WILL
14 AT ONE POINT KNOW THE COST TO HOOK THOSE FACILITIES UP,
15 CORRECT?

16

17 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** NOT ONLY WE WILL KNOW WHAT THE COST IS GOING
18 TO BE, BUT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE TRYING TO TAKE
19 ADVANTAGE OF IS THE VARIOUS PROGRAMS, THE METROPOLITAN WATER
20 DISTRICT OR ANYBODY ELSE MAY HAVE OR WEST BASIN THAT THEY ARE
21 GIVING US MONEY TO DO THAT, TO CONVERT RECYCLED -- TO USE THAT
22 RECYCLED WATER.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS IS AS IT
25 RELATES TO THE GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION, AND I DON'T THINK THE



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1 REPORT NECESSARILY ADDRESSES, IS THAT OF DEVELOPMENT AND HOW
2 THE IMPACT -- YOU KNOW, A LOT OF FOLKS WERE GETTING CALLS, YOU
3 KNOW, WHY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE APPROVING DEVELOPMENTS WHEN
4 THERE'S A POTENTIAL SHORTAGE OF WATER. ARE YOU GOING TO BE
5 BRINGING BACK SOMETHING THAT THIS BOARD SHOULD DO OR EXPECT
6 FUTURE ACTIONS IN REGARD TO THAT ABOUT THE UNCERTAINTY OF OUR
7 RELIABLE WATER SOURCES?

8

9 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** ABSOLUTELY. WE'RE GOING TO BE BRINGING A
10 REPORT BACK WITHIN 30 DAYS. BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING THAT
11 I WOULD LIKE TO TELL EVERYBODY HERE IS THAT EVERY COMMUNITY IS
12 A UNIQUE COMMUNITY AND EVERY WATER AREA IS A UNIQUE AREA
13 BECAUSE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE HAVE MORE THAN 200
14 WATER PURVEYORS AND EVERY WATER PURVEYOR HAS DIFFERENT WATER
15 SUPPLIES. SO IT'S A VERY COMPLICATED ISSUE AND WE'LL BE
16 BRINGING BACK ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, I JUST WANTED TO ASK A QUESTION RATHER
23 THAN MAKING A -- I DON'T THINK IT'S NECESSARY TO MAKE A MOTION
24 OR ANYTHING, I JUST WANTED TO GET IT ON THE RECORD, YOUR VIEW
25 ON THE FOLLOWING. THE REPORT ON THE COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO THE



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1 GOVERNOR'S DROUGHT DECLARATION LISTS A NUMBER OF MEASURES. AS
2 YOU'VE INDICATED SOME OF THEM, THAT VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
3 ARE IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING TO CONSERVE
4 WATER. THESE MEASURES INCLUDE, INCLUDING THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AND THE PUBLIC WORKS
6 PACKAGE ITSELF, HAVE A SERIES OF DRAFT ORDINANCES FOR GREEN
7 BUILDING STANDARDS, DROUGHT TOLERANT LANDSCAPING AND L.I.D.
8 STANDARDS. SHOULD THE ADOPTION OF THESE ORDINANCES OR SHOULD
9 NOT THE ADOPTION OF THESE ORDINANCES BY THE BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORTS, OR BE REFERRED IN THE
11 REPORTS LIST THE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HOW THE COUNTY
12 SHOULD RESPOND TO THE DROUGHT CONDITION WE'RE FACING?

13

14 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** YES.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. AS THE DIRECTOR, IT IS YOUR VIEW THAT
17 THE ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE PENDING ORDINANCES
18 WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY'S RESPONSE.

19

20 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** ABSOLUTELY, SUPERVISOR. AND THE MOST
21 IMPORTANT THING IS, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO
22 IS TO DEVELOP OUR LOCAL WATER SUPPLIES SO WE DON'T DEPEND ON
23 SUPPLIES THAT ARE COMING OUTSIDE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
24 AND JUST TO REFRESH EVERYBODY'S MEMORY, IS THAT TWO-THIRDS OF
25 THE WATER IS COMING FROM OUTSIDE THE STATE AND BY USING



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1 RECYCLED WATER, DESALINATION, CONSERVATION, ALL THESE THINGS,
2 IT WILL HELP THEM TREMENDOUSLY TO DO THAT.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THAT'S ALL I HAD.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH. JUST BACK. I DO HAVE A MOTION THAT I'LL HAVE
9 MY STAFF PASS OUT. ACCORDING TO THE RECENT DROUGHT REPORT
10 PREPARED BY OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, OBVIOUSLY THE
11 WATER CRISIS HERE IN OUR COUNTY WILL CONTINUE TO WORSEN UNLESS
12 RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES, AND CITIES ARE URGED TO ACHIEVE A 15 TO
13 20% REDUCTION IN WATER DEMAND. AND AGAIN, THAT GOES ALONG WITH
14 US DOING OUR FAIR SHARE AS WELL. THIS REPORT OUTLINED NUMEROUS
15 INITIATIVES THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN IMPLEMENTED OR ARE
16 CURRENTLY BEING STUDIED FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE
17 THAT WILL PROVIDE MEASURABLE RESULTS IN WATER CONSERVATIONS AT
18 COUNTY FACILITIES THROUGH COUNTY PROGRAMS. BUT IN ORDER TO
19 MINIMIZE THE IMPACT OF FUTURE ACTIONS, THE COUNTY NEEDS TO DO
20 MORE TO MAXIMIZE THE USE OF ITS AVAILABLE WATER SOURCES. THE
21 REPORT'S SEVEN RECOMMENDATIONS ARE THE COUNTY'S RESPONSE AND
22 THESE ACTIONS SHOULD BE APPROVED TODAY WITHOUT ANY FURTHER
23 DELAY. HOWEVER, THE WATER CRISIS AND THE GOVERNOR'S RECENT
24 STATEWIDE PROCLAMATION HAVE ALSO CAUSED CONCERN AMONGST OUR
25 RESIDENTS ABOUT THE ONGOING AVAILABILITY OF WATER SUPPLIES.



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1 COUNTY RESIDENTS HAVE RAISED VALID QUESTIONS REGARDING HOW THE
2 DROUGHT WILL IMPACT LAND DEVELOPMENT, FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT ON
3 EXISTING WATER RESOURCES. SO MORE INFORMATION IS NEEDED FROM
4 THE WATER AGENCIES AND OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO RESPOND TO
5 THESE CONCERNS, SO I WOULD MOVE THAT WHEN WE APPROVE THE SEVEN
6 RECOMMENDED COUNTY DROUGHT RESPONSE ACTIONS CONTAINED IN THE
7 REPORT AND TAKE THE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
8 NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS, INSTRUCT THE
9 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS THROUGH THE OFFICE OF WATER
10 RECYCLING, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
11 RECREATION INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, REPORT BACK TO THE
12 BOARD IN 30 DAYS WITH A STRATEGY FOR THE EXPANDED USE OF
13 RECYCLED WATER, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT'S IN THE PROCESS. ALSO
14 TO ANALYZE AND PROVIDE AN ESTIMATED COST AS WELL TO CONNECT
15 AND CREATE THESE RECYCLED SYSTEMS. AND FINALLY, THREE, TO
16 INSTRUCT THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AND DIRECTOR OF PLANNING
17 TO CONSULT WITH THE VARIOUS WATER AGENCIES WHO PROVIDE WATER
18 SERVICE TO THE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND REPORT BACK TO
19 THE BOARD IN 30 DAYS HOW THE DROUGHT MAY IMPACT THE LAND
20 DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCESS FOR BOTH DISCRETIONARY AND
21 MINISTERIAL APPLICATIONS AND WHAT THE BOARD CAN EXPECT
22 REGARDING FUTURE ACTIONS BY WATER AGENCIES ON PENDING
23 DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. SO I WOULD
24 MOVE THE ITEM WITHOUT ADDITIONAL --

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
2 SO ORDERED. AS AMENDED.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM 71-A. THIS IS A REPORT ON THE C.E.O. OF
5 THE STATUS OF THE THREE-YEAR SNAPSHOT OF THE UNFILLED BUDGET
6 VACANCIES AND THE AVERAGE ACTUAL FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS. AND I
7 HAVE SOME QUESTIONS I WOULD LIKE TO ASK.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE A COUPLE PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED TO
10 SPEAK. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, JOSHUA RUTKOFF AND KAREN MORRIS.
11 WOULD YOU PLEASE COME FORWARD? PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

12

13 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** COULD WE LISTEN TO THE REPORT FIRST?

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES. (OFF-MIKE).

16

17 **SHEILA SHIMA:** ITEM 71-A IS THE REPORT THAT WE PREPARED ON THE
18 SNAPSHOT OF BUDGETED VACANT ITEMS. THIS REPORT WAS ORIGINALLY
19 ON THE BOARD'S JUNE 16TH BUDGET DELIBERATIONS MEETING AND WAS
20 CONTINUED TO TODAY'S BOARD MEETING. ON THE 16TH AND ON THE
21 17TH, WE ANSWERED SOME QUESTIONS REGARDING OUR REPORT. AND ON
22 THE 17TH, WE RECEIVED A QUESTION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT THE
23 AMOUNT OF SAVINGS FROM THOSE BUDGETED VACANT POSITIONS, WHICH
24 WE PROJECTED AT \$34.3 MILLION COULD BE USED TO ADDRESS THE
25 DEPARTMENT'S ONGOING BUDGET DEFICIT. SO IN RESPONSE TO THAT



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1 QUESTION, WE ACTUALLY PREPARED A FOLLOW-UP REPORT WHICH WAS
2 PRESENTED TO YOUR BOARD AND IS PART OF THE REPORT BACK ON THE
3 ITEM 71-A, SO WE CAN ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THE BOARD MAY HAVE
4 ON EITHER OF THOSE REPORTS.

5

6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
7 WELL, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE, TO HAVE THE REPORT READ
8 FIRST. BUT ACCORDING TO SB-343, WHICH IS EFFECTIVE TODAY, JULY
9 1ST, THE PUBLIC IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE THE DOCUMENT 72 HOURS
10 PRIOR TO THE MEETING. IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE COULD READ THE
11 REPORT PRIOR TO THE TIME IT IS PRESENTED. AND, YOU KNOW, I
12 HAVE GIVEN YOU PLENTY OF NOTICE ABOUT SB-343, AND IT WOULD BE
13 NICE IF YOU DON'T CONTINUE TO VIOLATE THE BROWN ACT. I AM NOT
14 IN A POSSIBILITY TO REALLY SAY SOMETHING SIGNIFICANT BECAUSE I
15 DON'T HAVE THE DOCUMENT IN FRONT OF ME. BUT I WANT TO ASK THE
16 QUESTION ALSO, WHAT HAPPENED TO THOSE R.N. CLASSIFICATION WILL
17 HAVE A LOT TO DO WITH THE BUDGET ISSUE. THEY HAVE NEVER CAME
18 BACK TO US, AND I JUST WONDER WHO YOU ARE DOING WITH THEM.
19 ALSO ON THE ISSUE OF YOUR ACTING C.N.O. AT THE M.A.C.C.
20 PROJECT, YES, OF COURSE, YES, SHE'S LICENSED. SHE'S LICENSED
21 UNDER A DIFFERENT NAME. IT'S ILLEGAL TO PRACTICE UNDER A
22 DIFFERENT NAME THAN YOU ARE LICENSED, AND I THINK THAT'S A
23 VERY SERIOUS ISSUE. EMPLOYEES ARE SUPPOSED TO HAVE A NAME WHO
24 CORRESPONDS TO THEIR LICENSE. WHY IS SHE NOT USING THE NAME
25 THAT'S ON HER LICENSE? THAT'S TOTALLY INAPPROPRIATE, AND NOW I



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1 WONDER, WHY IS SHE NOT USING THE NAME? IS THERE SOMETHING IN
2 THE NAME SHE'S REGISTERED UNDER THAT THERE'S A PROBLEM WITH?
3 YOU KNOW, WHAT'S GOING ON? SO I WILL APPRECIATE THAT YOU DO
4 SOMETHING ABOUT THIS. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

7

8 **JOSHUA RUTKOFF:** MY NAME IS JOSHUA RUTKOFF, S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721
9 HEALTH SERVICES DIRECTOR. ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERS OF S.E.I.U.
10 LOCAL 721 WHO PROVIDE CARE AND SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE D.H.S.
11 SYSTEM, I'M HERE TO STRENUOUSLY OBJECT TO ANY MOVE TO ABOLISH
12 CRITICALLY NEEDED POSITIONS IN OUR HOSPITALS AND CLINICS. SUCH
13 AN ACTION IS NOT A REAL SOLUTION AND WOULD ONLY EXACERBATE
14 CURRENT SHORT STAFFING CHALLENGES AND CREATE FURTHER OBSTACLES
15 TO DELIVERING QUALITY CARE. THE BUDGET CHALLENGES WE FACE ARE
16 REAL AND DAUNTING, ALL THE MORE REASON THAT ANY BUDGETARY
17 DECISIONS SHOULD BE DEFERRED UNTIL AFTER THE STATE BUDGET HAS
18 BEEN RESOLVED AS IN YEARS PAST. THIS WILL PROVIDE US THE
19 OPPORTUNITY TO WORK TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE A FULLY FUNDED SYSTEM.
20 INSTEAD, ACTION AND LEADERSHIP ARE REQUIRED TO FIX THE
21 COUNTY'S BROKEN HUMAN RESOURCES SYSTEM. THIS IS A SYSTEM-WIDE
22 PROBLEM THAT AFFECTS EVERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT. UNDER FORMER
23 C.A.O. DAVID JANSSEN'S REORGANIZATION, THIS WAS THE ONE AREA
24 THAT WAS LEFT STATUS QUO. AND WE'RE PAYING THE PRICE FOR IT.
25 TODAY IN D.H.S. 1,400 PERSONNEL ACTION REQUESTS ARE PENDING,



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1 MEANING THAT WHILE LIFE-AND-DEATH WORK IN OUR D.H.S.
2 FACILITIES IS UNDERTAKEN DAY IN AND DAY OUT AND AROUND THE
3 CLOCK, THE HUMAN RESOURCES SYSTEM THAT IS SUPPOSED TO SUPPORT
4 IT AS GROUND TO A VIRTUAL HALT. EVERY WEEK WE HEAR FROM D.H.S.
5 MANAGERS WHO DESPERATELY NEED TO HIRE STAFF, BUT WHO ARE
6 HAMSTRUNG BY AN H.R. SYSTEM THAT IS STRUCTURALLY
7 DYSFUNCTIONAL. WITHOUT CHANGING THIS H.R. SYSTEM, WE WILL
8 NEVER ACHIEVE SUCCESS. THIS PARALYSIS IS ONLY WORSENER BY
9 HIRING FREEZES AND CUTS TO STAFF POSITIONS. HOW IS IT
10 CONCEIVABLE TO LIQUIDATE STAFF POSITIONS BEFORE ASSETS? THE
11 PRIMACY OF PATIENT CARE AND SERVICES NEEDS TO BE RESTORED.
12 ACTION IS NEEDED, BUT IT MUST BE RESPONSIBLE ACTION. THIS
13 BOARD MUST COME TO GRIPS WITH THE FAILURE OF ITS COUNTY-WIDE
14 HUMAN RESOURCES FUNCTION AND SUMMON THE STRENGTH AND WILL TO
15 CHANGE IT. S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721 WILL BE YOUR PARTNERS IN THIS.
16 ONLY THEN WILL WE BE ABLE TO PROVIDE OUR UNDER FUNDED AND
17 OVERUTILIZED PUBLIC HEALTHCARE SYSTEM THE SUPPORT AND STAFFING
18 THAT IT NEEDS TO FULFILL ITS VITAL MISSION. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** QUESTIONS. HOW MANY BUDGET POSITIONS, ACTUAL
21 POSITIONS AND FUNDED VACANCIES ARE CURRENTLY AT M.L.K.
22 M.A.C.C.? HOW MANY BUDGET POSITIONS, ACTUAL POSITIONS AND
23 FUNDED VACANCIES?

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1 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, AT THE M.L.K. M.A.C.C., ACCORDING
2 TO THE ATTACHMENT ONE THAT WAS ATTACHED TO THE JUNE 13TH
3 REPORT, THE M.L.K. M.A.C.C. HAS BUDGETED NET SALARIES OF 52
4 POSITIONS, FULL YEAR EQUIVALENT FOR THAT WAS 62. SO THERE'S A
5 DEFICIT OF 10 POSITIONS.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHICH?

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9 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** 10 POSITIONS DEFICIT THERE BUDGET-WISE.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE THE VARIOUS SALARY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT
12 CATEGORIES FULLY ALIGNED TO THE CORRECT CATEGORIES AT THE
13 M.L.K. M.A.C.C.?

14

15 **SHEILA SHIMA:** AS PART OF THE BUDGETED POSITIONS THAT WE'RE
16 LOOKING AT, WERE ACTUALLY PART OF THE 2007/2008 BUDGET. WHEN
17 WE PUT THAT BUDGET TOGETHER DURING SUPPLEMENTAL LAST YEAR, WE
18 ACTUALLY REDUCED THE SALARY AMOUNTS SO THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE
19 TO BALANCE THE BUDGET FOR THE POSITIONS THAT WERE DELETED WHEN
20 THE HOSPITAL WAS CLOSED AND CONVERTED TO A M.A.C.C. AT THAT
21 TIME, WE ACTUALLY INCLUDED MORE THAN WE ACTUALLY NEEDED IN THE
22 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CATEGORY, BUT OVERALL BETWEEN SALARIES AND
23 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING IN THE DEPARTMENT'S
24 BUDGET FOR THE M.L.K. M.A.C.C. IS SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE COST
25 OF THOSE POSITIONS.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW MANY POSITIONS IN THE HEALTH SERVICES
3 ADMINISTRATION BUDGET ARE NOT FUNDED BUT RETAINED IN THE
4 BUDGET FOR HIRING POSITIONS TO MEET WORKLOAD NEEDS?

5

6 **SHEILA SHIMA:** BASED ON THE INFORMATION WE HAVE IN OUR JUNE
7 13TH REPORT, THERE ARE -- IF YOU LOOK AT THE AMOUNT OF MONEY
8 THAT WE PROJECT TO BE LEFT AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR IN
9 THE H.S.A. BUDGET, THE HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BUDGET,
10 THEY WOULD HAVE AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO ABOUT 84 F.T.E.S.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAS THE DEPARTMENT LOOKED AT THE LEADING
13 POSITIONS FROM THE BUDGET DUE TO THE GAP BETWEEN THE NUMBER OF
14 VACANCIES AND FUNDED VACANCIES? AND WHY CAN'T THE DEPARTMENT
15 ADD POSITIONS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS?

16

17 **SHEILA SHIMA:** ACTUALLY, AS PART OF THE '08/'09 BUDGET PROCESS,
18 AND SPECIFICALLY AT THE HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, WE DID
19 WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO IDENTIFY POSITIONS THAT WERE
20 VACANT IN THE DEPARTMENT SO THAT THEY COULD BE TAKEN OFF-LINE.
21 WHAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO DO WITH THE DEPARTMENT IS AS WE
22 IDENTIFY NEW PROGRAMS, WE ARE BUILDING BACK OR ADDING IN
23 POSITIONS ONLY ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS, AND SO GOING BACK A
24 STEP, WE DID WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO LOOK AT SOME BUDGET
25 UNITS, INCLUDING H.S.A., WHERE THEY HAD TRADITIONALLY HAD HIGH



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1 SALARIES PERCENTAGES WHICH REPRESENT A LARGE NUMBER OF VACANT
2 POSITIONS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAS THE NEW STAFFING PLAN FOR THE
5 L.A.C.+U.S.C. PLAN REFLECTED THE REDUCE BEDS AT THE NEW
6 REPLACEMENT HOSPITAL?

7

8 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, WE ARE STILL WORKING WITH THE MED
9 CENTER ADMINISTRATION TO COME UP WITH ZERO-BASE BUDGET. THEY
10 HAVE SUBMITTED A BUDGET, WE'RE REVIEWING IT. ALTHOUGH THE
11 NUMBER OF BEDS IS GOING DOWN, SOME OF THE OTHER COMPONENTS,
12 SUCH AS THE EMERGENCY ROOM, ARE EXPANDING. SO WE'RE TRYING TO
13 COME UP WITH THE BOTTOM LINE NUMBER OF POSITIONS THAT ARE
14 NEEDED FOR THAT AND THOSE WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL
15 BUDGET.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN WILL THAT FACILITY OPEN?

18

19 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** IT'S PROJECTED TO OPEN THIS FALL SOMETIME. WE
20 STILL DON'T HAVE THE I OCCUPANCY ON IT YET, BUT AS SOON AS WE
21 DO THEN WE CAN START THE--

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER?

24

25 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** CERTAINLY PROBABLY NOT BEFORE OCTOBER.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE HIGH DESERT M.A.C.C. IS DIFFICULT TO
3 RECRUIT FOR, AND I UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE A 17.5 VACANCY FACTOR
4 AT THE M.A.C.C., WHICH IS PART OF THAT DIFFICULTY. WHAT IS THE
5 DEPARTMENT DOING TO EMPLOY STAFF AT THE HIGH DESERT?

6

7 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WELL, WE FOCUS IN RECRUITMENT. IT'S TRUE THAT
8 BECAUSE OF THE LOCATION, SOMETIMES WE HAVE DIFFICULTY
9 RECRUITING STAFF. BUT STAFF ARE RECRUITED IN ALL THE
10 CATEGORIES. THE NURSING RECRUITERS WORK ON THE STAFFING FOR
11 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AS MUCH AS THEY DO ANYWHERE ELSE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH. SEVERAL QUESTIONS. FIRST OF ALL, I
18 UNDERSTAND FROM THE MEMO THAT THE \$34 MILLION IN SAVINGS
19 ASSOCIATED WITH THESE FUNDED VACANCIES IS ALREADY BEING
20 COUNTED TOWARDS A FUND BALANCE OF APPROXIMATELY \$90 MILLION
21 THAT HAS BEEN BUDGETED FOR '08/'09. IF WE DELETE THESE
22 ORDINANCE ITEMS FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND TAKE THE FUNDING
23 ASSOCIATED WITH THEM, ARE WE FORCING THE DEPARTMENT TO
24 ESSENTIALLY SAVE ANOTHER \$34 MILLION TOWARDS OUR STRUCTURAL
25 DEFICIT?



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2 **SHEILA SHIMA:** WE WOULD FOR '08/'09. THE NUMBERS THAT WE
3 REPORTED ON IN OUR REPORT WERE ACTUALLY FOR '07/'08. SO THE
4 \$34.3 MILLION IS ACTUALLY WHAT WE PROJECT AS BEING THE TOTAL
5 DEPARTMENT WIDE OF THE AMOUNT SAVED FROM SALARIES. AND FOR THE
6 '07/'08 BUDGET, IT IS GOING TOWARDS OFFSETTING THE BUDGETED
7 FUND BALANCE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. AND THAT
8 BUDGETED FUND BALANCE IS SIMILAR TO THE AMOUNT THAT WE BUDGET
9 IN THE OVERALL COUNTY BUDGET.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THE 596 ITEMS IS ONLY
12 AN AVERAGE VACANCY NUMBER THAT WAS DERIVED BY TAKING THE
13 SURPLUS SALARY SAVINGS AT EACH FACILITY AND DIVIDING IT BY AN
14 AVERAGE. BUT THE FACT REMAINS THERE IS A SURPLUS SALARY
15 SAVINGS IN VACANCIES OTHER THAN NURSES AT EACH SITE. IS THAT
16 CORRECT?

17

18 **SHEILA SHIMA:** I DON'T HAVE THE EXACT NUMBER. I'M SURE THERE
19 ARE SOME, BUT OUR UNDERSTANDING FROM THE DEPARTMENT IS THE
20 VAST MAJORITY OF THE BUDGETED VACANT POSITIONS RELATE TO
21 NURSING POSITIONS AND OTHER CLINICAL POSITIONS.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** WHEN WE ADOPTED THE BUDGET, WE PUT A PLACEHOLDER
24 IN THE D.H.S. BUDGET WHEREBY WE GAVE THEM \$120 MILLION LESS IN
25 BUDGET AND TOLD THEM TO REPORT BACK, TOLD JOHN TO REPORT BACK



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1 HOW THEY TEND TO MAKE UP THIS AMOUNT, NEW REVENUE,
2 EFFICIENCIES, CUTS, WHATEVER IT MAY BE. SO IF WE TAKE THESE
3 VACANCY SURPLUS SALARIES SAVINGS, ARE WE NOT FORCING THEM TO
4 COME UP WITH \$154 MILLION THIS YEAR INSTEAD OF 120?

5

6 **SHEILA SHIMA:** WE WOULD IF WE WERE TO TAKE IT OUT OF THEIR
7 '08/'09 BUDGET, THAT'S CORRECT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT ASSUMING THE DEPARTMENT COMES UP WITH 120
10 MILLION THIS YEAR, WE'RE STILL FACED WITH A \$300 MILLION PLUS
11 DEFICIT FOR '09/'10, IS THAT CORRECT?

12

13 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** SO I THINK SUPERVISOR MOLINA MENTIONED THIS A FEW
16 WEEKS AGO, BUT WOULDN'T IT BE A GOOD IDEA TO START ADDRESSING
17 OUR '09/'10 PROBLEM BY BUYING IT DOWN WITH THIS WITH THE 34
18 MILLION STRUCTURAL DEFICIT?

19

20 **SHEILA SHIMA:** WE DEFINITELY AGREE. AND IN FACT, WE'VE BEEN
21 WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT ON WHAT IS ESSENTIALLY A TWO-YEAR
22 DEFICIT MITIGATION PLAN. SO WHILE THE IMMEDIATE CONCERN IS
23 BALANCING THE BUDGET FOR '08/'09, IT'S CLEAR THAT WE NEED TO
24 START PLANNING IN OUR -- INCLUDING THAT IN OUR DISCUSSIONS FOR
25 THE '09/'10 BUDGET.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** AND I THINK THE GENTLEMAN FROM 721 MENTIONED THIS,
3 AND I KNOW THERE ARE GOING TO BE PROGRAM VACANCIES. BUT THE
4 LONGER WE WAIT, THE MORE SEVERE AND THE GREATER THAT POTENTIAL
5 IMPACT COULD BE. SO, YOU KNOW, AS USUAL, I THINK WE ALL ARE
6 OPEN TO ANY SUGGESTIONS ON OTHER WAYS OTHER THAN VACANCIES
7 THAT WE COULD ACHIEVE THIS ADDITIONAL \$34 MILLION TO AT LEAST
8 START BUYING DOWN THE STRUCTURAL DEFICIT. SO, I MEAN, MY
9 FEELING WOULD BE THAT WE WOULD NOT RECEIVE AND FILE THIS
10 REPORT, BUT WE SHOULD CONTINUE THIS ITEM UNTIL THE
11 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PROCESS SO THAT WE, YOU KNOW, AT LEAST
12 KNOW WHERE WE ARE INSTEAD OF JUST SAYING, YOU KNOW, OH, GO
13 AWAY, I THINK WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO KEEP THE PRESSURE ON TO
14 LOOK AT THIS ISSUE AND BRING IT BACK AT THE TIME WE DEAL WITH
15 THE SUPPLEMENTAL IN THE FALL.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THAT YOUR MOTION?

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** TO CONTINUE IT TO SEPTEMBER?

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION. I
2 JUST WANTED TO MAKE ONE COMMENT. LAST WEDNESDAY, AT ABOUT
3 10:00 IN THE MORNING, I WENT OUT TO KING, TO THE M.A.C.C. AND
4 URGENT CARE, AN UNANNOUNCED VISIT. I WAS JUST AMAZED AT THE
5 PEOPLE WAITING. AND I THINK THAT IN THE URGENT CARE, THERE
6 WERE ABOUT 30 PEOPLE WAITING. IN THE M.A.C.C., THERE WERE A
7 LOT OF PEOPLE WAITING, THE PLACE WAS PRETTY CROWDED. HALLWAYS
8 WERE CROWDED. I HAVE SAT HERE AND GOT THE IMPRESSION THAT, YOU
9 KNOW, THAT THERE WERE NOT VERY MANY PEOPLE USING THE FACILITY.
10 THE FACILITY APPEARED TO BE OVERUSED. AND SO I DO HOPE THAT
11 YOU'RE KEEPING TRACK OF THE NUMBERS AND ALSO THE WAITING TIME.
12 I FELT THAT, IN LOOKING AT IT THE FACILITY LOOKED BETTER THAN
13 IT HAD IN PAST YEARS IN TERMS OF MAINTENANCE, BUT ALSO A LOT
14 OF PEOPLE EVEN WALKING UP AND DOWN THE HALLS AND THE PLACE --
15 I WAS VERY SURPRISED BECAUSE I LISTEN TO ALL THESE REPORTS,
16 AND I EXPECTED TO GO THERE AND SEE THE PLACE ALMOST EMPTY. AND
17 PEOPLE WAITING, THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WAITING, AND THEY
18 APPEARED TO BE COMING FROM A LOT OF DIFFERENT AREAS, SO I DO
19 THINK THAT YOU NEED TO MONITOR THIS SO WE DON'T WANT TO GET
20 BACK INTO THE SITUATION OF WHERE THE WAITING TIMES BECOME SO
21 LONG THAT WE GET INTO ANOTHER PROBLEM. ALL RIGHT.

22
23 **SUP. MOLINA:** JUST ON YOUR COMMENT ON THAT ISSUE -- AM I ON? I
24 THINK I'M ON. ALL RIGHT. MY CONCERN IS THAT WHILE PEOPLE MAY
25 BE WAITING, THEIR VISITS DON'T REFLECT THAT KIND OF ISSUE, AND



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1 SO MAYBE IT'S A MANAGEMENT PROBLEM, WHICH M.L.K. HAS HAD
2 FOREVER. I HOPE IT'S NOT GOING TO CONTINUE FOR THE M.A.C.C.,
3 WHERE YOU JUST -- YOU HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE BUT THEY'RE NOT
4 LOOKING AT THE PATIENTS. AND SO PEOPLE GET FRUSTRATED AND WALK
5 AWAY. I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT THOSE MANAGEMENT ISSUES THERE
6 BECAUSE I AM STILL CONCERNED THAT YOU ARE OVERSTAFFED AT THE
7 M.L.K.-M.A.C.C., AND I WOULD AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE THAT
8 WE NEED TO HOLD THIS REPORT AND GET MORE WORK DONE ON IT.
9 BECAUSE I DON'T THINK WE HAVE A CLEAR UP UNDERSTANDING OF THE
10 STAFFING EQUIVALENTS AT MARTIN LUTHER KING, PARTICULARLY WHEN
11 YOU HAVE -- YOU'RE STILL SPENDING \$2.6 MILLION FOR NURSE
12 REGISTRIES AT KING. AND SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THAT WORKS,
13 WHERE YOU ARE HIRING OFF REGISTRIES, MAYBE NOT HAVING PEOPLE
14 THAT HAVE THAT SKILL SET TO DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE, BUT I
15 THINK THAT THE REPORT NEEDS TO BE MORE GOAL ORIENTED FOR
16 SEPTEMBER INSTEAD OF JUST ANOTHER REPORT. HERE'S WHAT WE KNOW
17 SO FAR. I KNOW YOU'VE DONE WELL ON REDUCING NURSE REGISTRIES
18 ACROSS THE BOARD, BUT YOU STILL HAVE M.L.K. AND ALL OF YOU
19 JUST SHOWS NO LEVEL OF DECREASE AT ALL. SO YOU HAVE TO SET
20 GOALS SO THAT BY SEPTEMBER, YOU ARE ELIMINATING THOSE NURSE
21 REGISTRIES. I MEAN, THAT IS AN IMPORTANT GOAL FOR ALL OF US.
22
23 **SHEILA SHIMA:** SUPERVISOR, SPECIFICALLY ON THE POTENTIAL
24 OPERATIONAL ISSUES THEY HAVE AT THE M.L.K.-M.A.C.C., THAT IS



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1 PART OF WHAT OUR PROJECT TEAM IS LOOKING AT, IS WAYS TO MAKE
2 IT MORE EFFICIENT.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT THEY'VE BEEN LOOKING AT IT NOW
5 FOR ALMOST A YEAR. AND WHAT WE'RE SAYING IS THAT IT'S TIME TO
6 START GETTING DOWN. WE KNOW THERE'S A REPORT OUTSTANDING, WE
7 ALWAYS HEAR ABOUT IT, BUT THE NUMBERS REALLY DON'T MATCH AT
8 ALL. NOW, THERE MAY BE A LOT OF PEOPLE WAITING BECAUSE YOU
9 HAVE A MANAGEMENT PROBLEM. I MEAN --

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK IT MAY BE MORE THAN THAT. I THINK
12 THAT WE HAVE AN URGENT CARE THAT IS OPERATING ALMOST AS AN
13 EMERGENCY ROOM.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T KNOW THAT. THEY'VE NEVER SAID THAT.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, I THINK THEY SHOULD LOOK INTO THAT
18 ISSUE.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE PEOPLE THERE APPEARED TO NOT HAVE MINOR
23 ISSUES OR MINOR PROBLEMS.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT THE ISSUE IS, IS ASSESSMENT.
2 THEY HAVE ENOUGH PEOPLE TO DO THE ASSESSMENT, THEY HIRED THAT
3 WHOLE TEAM OF ASSESSMENT DOCS THROUGH THAT CONTRACT, SO WHAT'S
4 THE PROBLEM?

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE PROBLEM IS.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** LOOKS LIKE A MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT MAY BE A MANAGEMENT, IT MAY BE --

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EXCEPT IF I COULD JUST INTERJECT, JUST
13 MENTION TO YOU ON THE SIDE THAT THE STATISTICS YOU SHARED WITH
14 US A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO SHOWED A PRONOUNCED GROWTH IN THE
15 MONTHLY -- I THINK IT WAS MONTHLY CLIENTELE THAT WERE
16 FREQUENTING THE PLACE. IT HAD PLATEAUED AND SUBSIDED A LITTLE.
17 YOU SAID THAT WAS A SEASONAL THING BUT IT HAD GONE UP TO,
18 CORRECT ME IF I AM WRONG, ABOUT 150,000 -- THE MONTHLY WOULD
19 PRORATE OVER AN AVERAGE, ANNUAL WOULD HAVE BEEN 150,000, WHICH
20 WAS CONSIDERABLY HIGHER THAN WHAT WE HAD BUDGETED FOR, BUT IT
21 WAS GOING TO COME BACK DOWN TO 112, I MAY BE OFF BY A FEW
22 THOUSAND. BUT IT HAD GONE UP FROM WHATEVER WE HAD ASSUMED,
23 THERE WAS A STEADY, UPWARD TRAJECTORY UNTIL I THINK APRIL OR
24 MAY, I DON'T REMEMBER WHICH MONTH IT WAS. SO THIS IS
25 CONSISTENT WITH WHAT SHE SAW.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THERE WAS AN APRIL DROP, BUT I THINK WE
3 NEED TO GET A MONTHLY REPORT IN TERMS OF THE VISITS.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHAT MY POINT IS, I THINK WE NEED TO FUND IT
6 FOR THE PATIENTS THAT WE SEE. THE PROBLEM IS THAT WE'RE NOT
7 SEEING THAT AND IT'S OVER FUNDED NOW. SO IF, IN FACT, THERE
8 ARE MORE PATIENTS, THEN OF COURSE WE NEED TO HAVE PERSONNEL
9 THERE THAT ARE GOING TO MEET THOSE NEEDS, PARTICULARLY WHEN
10 THERE AREN'T ENOUGH EMERGENCY ROOMS AROUND, BUT THAT WE'RE NOT
11 SEEING. IT DOESN'T MATCH. IF THEY WERE SEEING THAT MANY
12 PATIENTS AND YOU HAD AN EQUIVALENT NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES. HERE,
13 YOU HAVE SO MANY EMPLOYEES AND YOU'RE NOT SEEING AS MANY
14 PATIENTS, IT SHOULD EQUALIZE. SO THIS REPORT, I AGREE WITH
15 SUPERVISOR KNABE, HAS TO BE MORE GOAL ORIENTED IN THAT REGARD.
16 SO THAT'S WHY I MENTIONED -- NOW AGAIN, YOU'RE ALWAYS GOING TO
17 NEED A NURSE REGISTRY IF YOU DON'T HAVE A PARTICULAR SPECIALTY
18 NEED AND YOU NEED TO HAVE A NURSE THAT HAS THIS KIND OF
19 TRAINING, NOT JUST A REGULAR R.N. I THINK WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT
20 THOSE ARE, BUT AT OLIVE VIEW, IT DOESN'T SHOW THAT IT'S COMING
21 DOWN IN UTILIZATION OF REGISTRIES. SO THE REPORT COULD BE
22 HELPFUL TO US. WE'RE ALL LOOKING AT THIS DEFICIT SITUATION,
23 WE'RE ALL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING IN THESE
24 AREAS, SO GIVING US A REPORT IS AGAIN, NOT A BAD IDEA, IT'S A
25 GOOD IDEA. BUT I WOULD AGREE, IF WE'RE GOING TO UTILIZE IT,



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1 PARTICULARLY IN SEPTEMBER, IT HAS TO BE MORE GOAL ORIENTED,
2 AND SO I THINK THAT IF YOU COULD LOOK AT THAT FROM THE NURSE
3 REGISTRY PERSPECTIVE, BUT EVEN IN YOUR OWN REPORT THAT YOU
4 GIVE US NOW WITH REGARD TO M.L.K.-M.A.C.C., YOU SHOW THAT
5 YOU'RE GOING TO BE DECREASING IT BUT YOU'RE ALSO SHOWING AN
6 INCREASE IN BUDGETED NET SALARIES. WHY?

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8 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, THE ACTION THAT YOUR BOARD TOOK
9 WHEN IT WENT THROUGH THE BUDGET ESSENTIALLY GAVE US THE TOTAL
10 FUNDS FOR STAFFING FOR 150,000 VISITS, BUT THE STAFFING IS
11 THERE FOR THE 181, WHICH IS WHAT WE PROJECT WE WILL BE DOING.
12 AND BASED UPON THE TERMS OF MS. MOLINA'S MOTION, AS WE EXCEED
13 150 TO 181,000 VISITS, THEN THE FUNDS THAT ARE PUT IN THE
14 PROVISIONAL USES ACCOUNT COULD BE USED TO FUND THAT STAFF THAT
15 IS THERE. OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE A -- WE HAVE A BUDGET PROBLEM
16 THERE, IF WE DON'T ACHIEVE 181.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT, I UNDERSTAND, BUT THIS IS, AGAIN, WE'RE
19 BUDGETING AN INCREASE IN NET SALARIES AT M.A.C.C., AND YET AT
20 THE SAME TIME, WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT IS THE RIGHT
21 SIZE OF THIS.

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23 **SHEILA SHIMA:** ARE YOU READING OFF OF THE REPORTS THAT WE
24 PRESENTED HERE, OR A SEPARATE REPORT?

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S ON THE SPREADSHEET FOR THE JUNE 30TH REPORT.

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3 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT BECAUSE OF THE SURPLUS SALARY SAVINGS AT
4 EACH SITE?

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6 **SHEILA SHIMA:** IF WE'RE LOOKING AT THE ACTUAL BUDGETED NET
7 SALARIES AND THE INCREASES, IN '07/'08, WE HAD SUBSTANTIAL
8 INCREASES IN S.N.E.B. I'M GOING TO ASSUME THAT PART OF THAT IS
9 RELATED TO THE INCREASES BOTH FOR THE NURSING POSITIONS AS
10 WELL AS, I BELIEVE THE PHYSICIANS COSTS AS WELL.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE OF THE SALARY INCREASE?

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14 **SHEILA SHIMA:** SALARY INCREASES WOULD BE PRIMARILY IN OTHER
15 E.B. RELATED COST INCREASES. BUT WE CAN GET THE BREAKDOWN FOR
16 YOU ON THAT. BECAUSE I THINK WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT IS
17 ACTUALLY THE INCREASE IN BUDGETED NET SALARIES OVER FROM ONE
18 YEAR TO THE NEXT, AND WE CAN GET THOSE COMPONENTS FOR YOU.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** YEAH, BECAUSE WE'RE STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT
21 WHAT IS THE RIGHT SIZE OF PERSONNEL THERE, SO IT JUST DOESN'T
22 MAKE SENSE, INCREASING THAT. SO I NEED AN ANSWER ON THAT, WHEN
23 THE SEPTEMBER REPORT COMES BACK. ON THE L.A. COUNTY U.S.C.
24 STAFFING PLAN, IT SAYS THAT WE ORIGINALLY RECEIVED -- IT



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1 REFERS TO A STAFFING PLAN FOR THE REPLACEMENT FACILITY. I

2 DON'T HAVE THAT PLAN. DO YOU HAVE IT?

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4 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** I HAVE A PRELIMINARY PLAN THAT WAS SUBMITTED
5 BY THE FACILITY AND WE'RE GOING OVER IT IN GREAT DETAIL RIGHT
6 NOW.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW, BUT YOUR REPORT SAYS THAT IT'S A PLAN,
9 AND WE DON'T HAVE IT, SO WE CAN'T TELL WHAT YOU'RE DOING.

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11 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WE'D BE HAPPY TO GIVE IT TO YOU, SUPERVISOR.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** DON'T TELL ME I HAVE SOMETHING, BECAUSE I LOOKED
14 FOR IT AND CAN'T FIND IT. THE OTHER PART OF IT, THE OTHER AREA
15 THAT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT, RANCHO HAS A LARGE NUMBER OF
16 VACANCIES, OVER 12.4%, AS I UNDERSTAND. NOW, ONE OF THE ISSUES
17 AS FAR AS ADDRESSING SOME OF THE CONCERNS WITH REGARD TO THE
18 OVERFLOW OF U.S.C. AS WE MOVE INTO THE REPLACEMENT FACILITY,
19 IS GOING TO BE THE UTILIZATION, POTENTIAL UTILIZATION OF
20 RANCHO, NOT THAT ANY OF THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED AS YET, BUT
21 WHEN YOU HAVE SUCH A LARGE VACANCY FACTOR GOING ON, LARGE FOR
22 THAT AREA, WHAT ARE WE DOING? I WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE OF AN
23 ACTION PLAN TO BRING DOWN THAT NUMBER.

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1 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WELL SUPERVISOR, MOST OF THE VACANCIES AT
2 RANCHO ARE POSITIONS THAT WERE PUT INTO THE BUDGET FOR THE
3 CONTINGENCY, INITIALLY OF KING, OF NEEDING MORE TO STAFF UP
4 MORE BEDS AT RANCHO BECAUSE KING CLOSED --

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHAT, THAT HASN'T BEEN NEEDED?

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8 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WE DID NOT NEED TO FILL AS MANY BEDS AT RANCHO
9 AS WERE PROJECTED BASED UPON THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS THAT COULD
10 BE TRANSFERRED IN THERE.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** SEE, THOSE THINGS JUST DON'T MAKE SENSE TO ME.
13 BECAUSE DOWNEY COMES IN, ALL OF THOSE OTHER PEOPLE COME IN
14 FROM THE QUARTER AND TELL ABOUT OVERFLOW. DON, DOES THAT MAKE
15 SENSE TO YOU?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO ME, EITHER, BECAUSE
18 THOSE BEDS ARE FULL OUT THERE AS I UNDERSTAND IT. AT RANCHO. I
19 MEAN, THEY'VE BEEN TAKING A LOT OF THE OVERLOAD FOR KING.

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21 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THE ACUTE REHAB BEDS

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** UNLESS YOUR STAFFING RECOMMENDATIONS IS WAY ABOVE
24 WHAT YOU REALLY NEEDED TO ACCURATE SALARY SAVINGS. I MEAN, I
25 DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT.



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JOHN SCHUNHOFF: SUPERVISOR, THERE WERE ABOUT 30 BEDS, STAFFING FOR 30 BEDS THAT WAS PUT INTO THE RANCHO BUDGET AS A RESULT OF THE SOUTH L.A. PLAN THAT WAS CONTINGENCY FOR FOUR BEDS THAT WE WOULD NEED RELATIVE TO THE CLOSURE OF KING. WE HAVEN'T HAD A CENSUS RELATED TO THAT THAT WAS 30 BEDS. IT'S TRUE, THE ACUTE REHAB HAS BEEN FULL. THE STROKE PIECE HAS BEEN RELATIVELY FULL, AND WE HAVE STAFFED AND HAD MEDICAL SEARCH BEDS, BUT IT HAS NOT BEEN AS MUCH AS WHAT WAS IN THE BUDGET. NOW PART OF THAT BUDGET WAS TRANSFERRED TO HARBOR AS A RESULT OF THE CHANGES TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM FLOW THAT WAS DONE THAT WAS APPROVED BY YOUR BOARD RECENTLY. THE C.E.O. LEFT THE ORDINANCE RELATED TO THOSE 30 POSITIONS IN THE RANCHO BED AS A CONTINGENCY AS WE GO INTO THIS YEAR BECAUSE OF THE CONTINGENCIES THAT REALLY RELATE TO L.A.C.+U.S.C. AND THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL BEDS THERE.

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SUP. MOLINA: I'M NOT SO SURE I FOLLOWED THAT, BUT I TRIED REAL HARD. DID YOU FOLLOW IT?

20

SUP. KNABE: NO, I DIDN'T, BUT WE'LL CATCH UP WITH IT ONE OF THESE DAYS.

23

SUP. MOLINA: WELL, I THINK THAT, AGAIN, IF, IN FACT, WE DON'T NEED THOSE BEDS THERE, WE SHOULDN'T BE FUNDING THEM, IF THAT'S



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1 THE CASE, AND IT SHOULDN'T BE IN THE BUDGET. BUT IF WE NEED
2 THEM, THEN WE NEED TO STAFF UP TO THEM. WE CAN'T HAVE THAT
3 MANY VACANCIES. YOU'RE CARRYING THAT MONEY AND NOT UTILIZING
4 IT, AND I KNOW THAT THERE'S THIS WHOLE THING AROUND HERE THAT
5 WE'RE SUPPOSED TO HAVE BUDGET SURPLUS TO CONTINUE TO FUND, BUT
6 THAT ONE CONCERNS ME. ARE THEY REAL VACANCIES FOR PEOPLE THAT
7 ARE NEEDED AND WE'RE NOT FILLING? AND DOES IT REQUIRE
8 RECRUITMENT? IS THERE A PROBLEM IN RECRUITING AND GETTING
9 PEOPLE THERE? OR IS IT JUST THIS KIND OF NUMBER OF WHAT WE
10 WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE IN CASE WE NEEDED THE BEDS BUT WE DIDN'T
11 NEED THEM? I'M NOT SO SURE I FOLLOWED WHAT YOU SAID TO ME. BUT
12 I'D LIKE, IN THE SEPTEMBER REPORT WHEN IT COMES BACK, TO HAVE
13 THAT ISSUE ADDRESSED ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. ONE WAY OR THE
14 OTHER. AND THEN THE LAST THING IS, AND THIS HAS BEEN A
15 CONSTANT CONCERN FOR ME, WAY BACK BEFORE M.L.K. CLOSED, IS
16 THAT WE -- THERE SHOWS ON THIS THAT WE HAVE 446 PEOPLE ON
17 LONG-TERM LEAVE IN THAT DEPARTMENT, AND WE STILL -- EVERYBODY
18 SAYS THERE'S A PLAN TO GET AT IT.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** (OFF-MIKE).

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22 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. IT CONTINUES TO BE A PROBLEM. BUT
23 WE NEED SOMEBODY TO ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM BECAUSE IT'S REALLY
24 ANNOYING. NOW I UNDERSTAND DISABILITY I UNDERSTAND ALL OF
25 THOSE ISSUES, BUT WE'RE TALKING LONG-TERM LEAVE. SOMEBODY



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1 NEEDS TO GO IN THERE AND START FIGURING OUT, IS THIS VALID OR
2 NOT VALID. I MEAN, DO PEOPLE HAVE THE REQUISITE APPROVALS AND
3 THE REQUISITE DOCTOR RECOMMENDATIONS AND SO ON. THAT'S A LOT
4 OF PEOPLE. I KNOW WE'RE A BIG DEPARTMENT, BUT THAT'S A LOT OF
5 PEOPLE. SO BY SEPTEMBER, I WOULD LOVE THE PLAN, IF YOU HAVE
6 THE PLAN, WE DON'T HAVE A PLAN, YOU HAVEN'T SHARED A PLAN WITH
7 US.

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9 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, WE ARE WORKING WITH THE C.E.O. ON
10 THE OVERALL INITIATIVES THAT MR. FUJIOKA HAS PUSHED ON DOING
11 WITH PEOPLE ON LONG TERM--

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** LIKE WHAT?

14

15 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** GOING THROUGH EVERY CASE, REVIEWING --

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY DON'T YOU ALL TELL HIM TO SHOW UP ONE DAY AND
18 GET TO WORK.

19

20 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** I'M SORRY?

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** I MEAN, HAVE WE VALIDATED ALL OF THOSE CASES? ARE
23 WE 10% VALIDATED? ARE WE 50%?

24



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1 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** OUR H.R. HAS LOOKED AT EVERY SINGLE CASE. THEY
2 BROUGHT IT DOWN FROM ABOUT 460 SOMETHING TO ABOUT 440. THERE
3 IS A SERIES OF "WHERE ARE YOU" LETTERS GOING OUT AGAIN TO TRY
4 TO IDENTIFY PEOPLE AND WE ARE WORKING THOSE CASES.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT. AGAIN, ARE THEY
7 VALIDATED? ARE THESE PEOPLE ACTUALLY HAVE THE VALID CRITERIA,
8 MEET ALL OF THAT, FOR THEM TO BE ON LONG-TERM LEAVE?

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE NEED TO COME BACK WITH A DETAILED REPORT.
11 BECAUSE WHAT JOHN'S REFERRING TO IS, FOR EXAMPLE, AT KING,
12 THERE'S 89 INDIVIDUALS OFF ON LONG-TERM ABSENCE. NOW, OUT OF
13 THAT, I'M TAKING THESE NUMBERS OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD, I
14 BELIEVE IN THE HIGH 20S WERE ACTUALLY REMOVED FROM COUNTY
15 SERVICE. THERE'S A SERIES THAT ARE GOING THROUGH THE
16 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS WHICH INCLUDES SENDING A LETTER, WE
17 CALL IT A "WHERE ARE YOU" LETTER. A LETTER ASKING SOMEONE TO
18 RETURN TO WORK. IF THEY DON'T RESPOND TO THAT, WE THEN GO
19 THROUGH A SCALING PROCESS TO ACTUALLY REMOVE THEM FROM WORK.
20 THERE ARE SOME ADMINISTRATIVE STEPS WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH THAT
21 ARE TIME-CONSUMING, BUT WE'RE ABSOLUTELY DOING THAT.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** YEAH, I DON'T KNOW, BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE A
24 REPORT, I MEAN, DID 446 GET THE LETTER, DID 25 RESPOND? DID
25 YOU START THE SCALING PROCESS ON 76? I DON'T KNOW WHERE WE ARE



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1 ON THAT. ALL I KNOW IS THAT LAST YEAR WE HAD A LARGE NUMBER
2 AND IT GOT REDUCED SOMEWHAT, BUT WHAT IS THE PLAN?

3

4 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WE'LL PREPARE THAT REPORT.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT WE'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THAT NUMBER -- WHAT
7 THAT IS. BECAUSE, AGAIN, THERE'S SO MANY PEOPLE THAT
8 LEGITIMATELY HAVE DISABILITIES, AS WE ALL KNOW, THAT ARE
9 LEGITIMATELY ENTITLED TO LONG-TERM LEAVE. THEY ARE. BUT
10 THERE'S ALSO PEOPLE THAT SCAM THE SYSTEM ALL OF THE TIME. I'M
11 NOT SAYING THESE 446 ARE SCAMMING THE SYSTEM, BUT I THINK I
12 NEED TO KNOW AT WHAT POINT IN TIME ARE WE READY TO VALIDATE
13 THESE. I MEAN, THIS MAY BE A VERY REAL NUMBER, BUT I DON'T
14 KNOW, SO I'D LIKE TO HAVE THAT, THE SEPTEMBER REPORT.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? THAT ITEM
17 IS --

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS CONTINUED UNTIL THE SEPTEMBER BUDGET.

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21 **SHEILA SHIMA:** TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET HEARING IS WHAT WE
22 UNDERSTAND.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT I THINK THE IMPORTANT THING HERE IS THAT WE'RE
2 STILL SAYING WE WANT TO LOOK FOR SAVINGS BEYOND THE
3 PLACEHOLDER FOR THE SALARY SAVINGS, OKAY?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 1.

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ONE PERSON WHO HAS REQUESTED TO
8 SPEAK. DR. CLAVREUL. WHERE IS DR. CLAVREUL? HAS DR. CLAVREUL
9 LEFT, OR HAS SHE JUST STEPPED OUT? WELL, WE'LL WAIT FOR A
10 MOMENT. CALL THE NEXT ITEM.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 2. EXCUSE ME. ITEM NUMBER 10. 18,
13 18, NUMBER 18.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ITEM 18. ARNOLD SACHS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO
16 START FORWARD? MAYBE THERE'S ANOTHER ITEM. IT'S GOING TO TAKE
17 HIM A WHILE TO GET FORWARD, PROBABLY. YES, MR. SACHS, STATE
18 YOUR NAME.

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. OR GOOD MORNING.
21 ARNOLD SACHS. MY ONLY CONCERN REGARDING THIS IS REFLECTING ON
22 PREVIOUS ACTION THAT THE BOARD TOOK WHEN THE C.E.O. WAS READY
23 TO LEAVE HIS POSITION AND WAS GRANTED A SALARY INCREASE FROM
24 250 TEMPORARILY UP TO 290, 290,000. AND WHEN THE NEW C.E.O.
25 WAS HIRED, HE GOT HIRED AT THE 290,000 AND HIS PAY WAS NOW



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1 310. SO I'M JUST CONCERNED, IS THIS A SALARY THAT'S GOING TO
2 BE ADJUSTED FOR MR. HUANG, 260,000 AND THEN THE NEW DIRECTOR
3 WILL BE APPOINTED AT THAT SALARY? OR WILL IT EVEN BE HIGHER
4 BECAUSE, AS WE KNOW, THE

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHERE DID YOU GET THE 200?

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** EXCUSE ME?

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHERE'D YOU GET THE 260,000?

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12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NO. I SAID 160,000.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU DID SAY THAT.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YEAH, YOU SAID 260--

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I SAID THE C.E.O. --

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** C.E.O.

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHEN HE HELD ONTO HIS POSITION, HE GOT A PAY
23 RAISE OF \$40,000 TO 290, FROM 250 TO 290. AND THEN THE NEW
24 C.E.O. CAME ABOARD AND HE WAS GIVEN THAT SALARY OF 290, AND
25 NOW HIS SALARY IS 310. SO MY QUESTION REGARDING THIS, I DON'T



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1 BELIEVE I SAID 260, BUT 160, IS THIS GOING TO BE THE INTERIM
2 SALARY FOR THIS PERSON TO TAKE OVER THE DEPARTMENT, AND THEN
3 THE NEW DEPARTMENT HEAD WILL BE PAID 160? OR WILL THE NEW
4 DEPARTMENT HEAD--

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE DON'T KNOW YET.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE DON'T -- WE'LL EVALUATE THE SALARY AFTER
9 THE PERSON IS ACTUALLY--

10

11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, SO THEN I CAN ASK, WHAT'S THE SALARY RANGE?

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S IN THE ANNOUNCEMENT.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SHE CAN GIVE YOU THE SALARY RANGE. IT'S IN
16 THE ANNOUNCEMENT, YEAH. SHE'LL GIVE YOU THE RANGE.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL HAVE STAFF WALK OVER THERE AND GIVE HIM
19 THE SALARY RANGE.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE A MOTION? MOVED BY ANTONOVICH,
22 SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON ITEM
23 1.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST SAY, TODAY IS THE DAY THAT THE
2 STATE WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE PASSED THE BUDGET. AND WE DON'T
3 HAVE A BUDGET, AS WE KNOW. AND IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THEY
4 SHOULD BE LOOKING AT HOW THEY CAN ENHANCE PRODUCTIVITY AND
5 CONSOLIDATING SOME OF THEIR PROGRAMS AND ALLOWING LOCAL
6 GOVERNMENTS TO PROVIDE RESOURCES AND ASSISTANCE TO OUR LOCAL
7 PARKS, LIBRARIES AND OTHERS, BECAUSE WHEN THE STATE
8 LEGISLATURE PASSES LEGISLATION TO GIVE A LIBRARY, A PARK A
9 50,000, OR \$100,000 APPROPRIATION, IT COSTS THEM ABOUT A HALF
10 A MILLION DOLLARS OR MORE JUST TO PASS THAT LEGISLATION, WHERE
11 IT WOULD BE MORE COST EFFECTIVE IF JUST THE CITIES AND
12 COUNTIES DID THOSE TYPES OF APPROPRIATIONS. BUT THEY SHOULD BE
13 LOOKING AT REFORMING HOW THEY OPERATE SO THAT THEY FUNCTION ON
14 STATE RESPONSIBILITIES AND ALLOW CITIES AND COUNTIES TO FOCUS
15 ON LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES. THAT WOULD HELP REDUCE THAT 15 PLUS
16 BILLION DOLLAR DEFICIT. AND THEN IF YOU NOTICE, WE'VE HAD FOUR
17 HOMELESS IN FRONT OF THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION RECENTLY. AND
18 I SENT OUT THE PET TEAM. AND WHAT THEY FOUND WAS ONE
19 GENTLEMAN, HIS NAME WAS RON, HE REFUSED ASSISTANCE TO A
20 SHELTER. ANOTHER GENTLEMAN, NAMED ROBERT, REFUSED TO BE
21 PROVIDED SERVICES AT A SHELTER. ANOTHER GENTLEMAN, ELLIOTT,
22 WHO IS A VETERAN, AGAIN, HE REFUSED SERVICES, SHELTER. AND THE
23 FOURTH GENTLEMAN WAS WAYNE, WHO IS IS 35. AND HE AGAIN WAS
24 CLEARLY IN NEED OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, BUT REFUSED THOSE
25 SERVICES, WHICH POINTS OUT THAT OUR STATE LEGISLATURE SHOULD



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1 BE ENACTING LEGISLATION THAT ALLOWS THESE TYPES OF INDIVIDUALS
2 TO BE GIVEN THE MEDICAL TREATMENT THAT IS REQUIRED AND THE
3 HOUSING THAT IS REQUIRED TO STABILIZE THEM, INSTEAD OF LEAVING
4 THEM ON THE CURB TO END UP BECOMING A DANGER TO THEMSELVES OR
5 TO OTHERS. IT'S TRAGIC. AND THE LADY THAT'S ALSO OUT THERE,
6 WHO SITS ON THE BENCH AT FIRST AND GRAND, AGAIN REFUSES
7 SHELTER AND JUST WALKS IN A CIRCLE ALL DAY AND SLEEPS
8 WHEREVER. IT'S WHY WE NEED TO CHANGE -- THE STATE LEGISLATURE
9 OUGHT TO BE FOCUSING ON REFORMING THOSE TYPES OF LAWS SO THAT
10 WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO GIVE THEM THE TREATMENT THAT THEY ARE
11 DENYING THEMSELVES TO HAVE. AND AGAIN, I'LL CALL UP NUMBER 1.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. YOU WANT TO MOVE THAT?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE IT.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED AND SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION, ITEM
18 1 IS APPROVED.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER ITEMS YOU'RE CALLING?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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3 **SUP. MOLINA:** FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO DO MY ADJOURNMENTS. I
4 AM ASKING THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF VICTOR FRANCO. HE
5 IS THE BELOVED FATHER OF VICTOR FRANCO OF TELEMUNDO, WHO MANY
6 OF US ARE ACQUAINTED WITH. MR. FRANCO WAS BORN IN JALISCO,
7 MEXICO, AND HE SETTLED WITH HIS FAMILY IN COMPTON IN THE
8 1950S. AND IN THE 1960S, HE OPENED THE FRANCO MARKET, WHICH
9 QUICKLY BECAME THE OASIS FOR MANY STRUGGLING FAMILIES IN THE
10 LOCAL COMMUNITY. THE FRANCO'S EVENTUALLY MOVED BACK TO MEXICO
11 AND WORKED THEIR OWN RANCH IN MICHOACAN. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
12 DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE MANY FRANCO SIBLINGS, AS WELL AS
13 THE FAMILY'S 19 GRANDCHILDREN AND THREE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS?

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** VERY GOOD. ALL MEMBERS. AND THEN THE ONLY ITEM
18 THAT I HELD WAS ITEM 53. WHAT I'M GOING TO DO --

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ONE PERSON WHO'S ASKED TO SPEAK,
21 ARNOLD SACHS.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. WHY DON'T THEY SPEAK FIRST.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. I ACTUALLY COULD
2 APPROVE THIS ITEM. BUT MY CONCERN IS WITH THE BUDGET FOR THE
3 SHERIFFS AGAIN. AND ESPECIALLY WITH THE RECENT ACCIDENT THAT
4 OCCURRED IN MALIBU, AND I WAS WONDERING OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS IS GOING TO LOOK INTO TAKING ANY ACTION. THIS
6 BUDGET IS FOR 400,000 FOR SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES FOR THE FOOTHILL
7 TRANSIT AUTHORITY. THERE WAS ANOTHER BUDGET LAST WEEK FOR
8 ANOTHER TRANSIT-- FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY. I
9 DON'T QUITE RECALL HOW MUCH MONEY THERE WAS. AND I'M NOT
10 CONCERNED AS MUCH FOR THE BUDGET AMOUNT AS I'M CONCERNED ABOUT
11 THE MANPOWER AND THE USAGE OF IT. WITH THE ACCIDENT THAT WAS
12 TAKEN IN MALIBU AT THE MALIBU BEACH THIS PAST WEEKEND
13 REGARDING THE PAPARAZZI AND CHASING AROUND. AND THE ARTICLE
14 FROM THE L.A. TIMES STATING THAT THERE WAS A HELICOPTER, THERE
15 WERE SHERIFF'S ON FOUR-WHEEL QUADS. THERE WAS THE SHERIFF'S
16 DEPARTMENT ALL OVER. THIS IS AN UNCALLED FOR USE OF SHERIFF'S
17 RESOURCES. IS THE COUNTY LOOKING INTO SOME KIND OF ORDINANCE
18 TO REGULATE THE APPROACH THAT PAPARAZZI CAN TAKE? THE PERSON
19 COMPLAINED THAT THE BEACHES ARE FREE TO THE PUBLIC. WELL,
20 THAT'S TRUE. AND THEY SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT BY FREE TO THE
21 PUBLIC, IT MEANS WITHOUT THE HASSLE OF SOMEBODY RUNNING AROUND
22 TRYING TO TAKE PICTURES OF A STAR. THEN IT'S NOT SO FREE
23 ANYMORE IF THEY ATTRACT ALL THIS OTHER UNWANTED ATTENTION. I'M
24 LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FROM THE COUNTY. THE CITY OF MALIBU IS
25 LOOKING INTO DOING SOMETHING LEGALLY. SINCE IT'S THE SHERIFF'S



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1 DEPARTMENT, IT'S A COUNTY DEPARTMENT. I WAS WONDERING IF THE
2 COUNTY WOULD LOOK INTO SOMETHING ALSO. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR
3 YOUR TIME, YOUR ANSWERS, AND YOUR ATTENTION.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** MS. BURKE, I HAVE A MOTION. AND THE MOTION
6 BASICALLY IS TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM. YOU KNOW, THIS CONTRACT,
7 THE FOOTHILL CONTRACT, IS THE FIRST NEW SHERIFF CONTRACT THAT
8 HAS COME BEFORE THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL IN A LONG, LONG TIME.
9 AS A RESULT, WE HAVEN'T REALLY HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE
10 OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACTS, AND PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF
11 ANY POTENTIAL EXPOSURE WHEN IT COMES TO LAWSUITS AND
12 LIABILITY. AND SINCE WE ARE SELF- INSURED, EVERY DOLLAR THAT
13 IS PAID OUT AND ANY KIND OF LITIGATION COST, ANY KIND OF
14 LIABILITY AND DAMAGES HAS AN IMPACT ON OTHER SERVICES, WHETHER
15 THEY BE THE LIBRARIES OR PARKS OR OTHER KINDS OF THINGS THAT
16 WE'RE DOING, PARTICULARLY ANOTHER PATROL CAR IN THE
17 UNINCORPORATED AREA. SO WE NEED TO ESTABLISH A REVIEW OF THIS
18 AND A SYSTEM TO RECOVER THOSE DOLLARS AND TO MAKE SURE THAT
19 WE'RE CREATING A SITUATION THAT MAKES SENSE. AND SO WHILE IT
20 MAY BE WORKING, AND WE ARE TOLD THAT IT'S WORKING, I'D LIKE TO
21 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EVALUATE THAT, ASK SOME QUESTIONS WITH
22 REGARD TO THE ISSUES OF LIABILITY. SO ALL I'M ASKING IS THAT
23 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO AUGUST 5TH OF THIS YEAR, AND THAT
24 THE C.E.O. AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL-- AND I HAVE A WRITTEN
25 MOTION THAT I THINK HAS BEEN PASSED OUT. AND THAT THE CHIEF



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1 EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND COUNTY COUNSEL WORK WITH THE SHERIFF'S
2 DEPARTMENT TO DETERMINE HOW THE COUNTY COULD STRUCTURE ITS
3 AGREEMENTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES SUCH THAT THE COUNTY
4 IS FULLY INDEMNIFIED IN ANY CLAIMS OR LAWSUITS ARISING FROM
5 THE COURSE AND SCOPE OF THESE CONTRACTS AND PROVIDE A WRITTEN
6 ANALYSIS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS NO LATER THAN JULY 30. THIS
7 ANALYSIS IS NOT INTENDED TO APPLY TO THOSE CONTRACTS THAT ARE
8 ALREADY COVERED BY OUR CONTRACT FOR THESE LIABILITY FUNDS.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT
11 OBJECTION, THIS ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED TO AUGUST 5TH, 2008.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** WITH THAT REPORT. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF YOU HAVE NO OTHER ITEMS, I'LL DO MY
16 ADJOURNMENTS.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, THOSE ARE MY ONLY ITEMS.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE
21 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FRANK TURIACE, A LONG-TIME MARINA DEL REY
22 RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 27TH. HE SERVED IN THE
23 MARINES FROM 1950 TO '54, AND UPON SERVING IN KOREA, HE WAS
24 AWARDED FOUR PURPLE HEARTS AND ONE SILVER STAR. HE WAS WITH
25 THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM 1954 TO '64. HE WAS THE



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1 PROUD BUSINESS OWNER OF BUILDERS SUPPLY IN BELL GARDENS. HE
2 LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, ELLIE; HIS DAUGHTERS,
3 DONI TURIACE, AND JONI HODGSEN; HIS SON, KEN TURIACE; AND
4 STEPSONS, ERIC AND ROBERT SANDERS. HE WAS MY NEIGHBOR AND A
5 PERSON THAT WE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME. HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED
6 BY NOT ONLY HIS FAMILY BUT HIS FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, COULD I JOIN IN THAT AS
9 WELL FOR FRANK?

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. DR. OLUJIMI BAMGBOSE, A
12 LONGTIME NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTER. AS A
13 CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST, HE RAN HIS OWN PRIVATE PRACTICE FOR 29
14 YEARS. HE SERVED ON NUMEROUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. HE WAS
15 THE PAST PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA PSYCHOLOGICAL
16 ASSOCIATION, SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER. CHAIRMAN OF THE
17 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE LOS ANGELES MEDICAL
18 CENTER AND LONG-TIME MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
19 HILLVIEW MEDICAL CENTER. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS
20 WIFE, OLAYINKA; AND CHILDREN, BUKOLA GBADAMOSI, ROLAKE,
21 OLUSINMI, AND OKERINOLA. AND KEN REICH, RETIRED LOS ANGELES
22 TIMES REPORTER, WHO PASSED AWAY JUNE 30TH AT THE AGE OF 70. HE
23 COVERED POLITICS AND THE PREPARATION OF THE 1984 LOS ANGELES
24 OLYMPIC GAMES. FOR SEVEN YEARS, HE COVERED EVERY ASPECT OF THE
25 L.A. OLYMPIC ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, FROM THE FINANCE TO THE



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1 SITE SELECTION. HE CONSIDERED THIS OPPORTUNITY ONE OF HIS
2 GREATEST PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH
3 HIS MEMORY CHILDREN, KATHLEEN REICH, DAVID REICH; AND SISTER,
4 CAROLYN SHADDUCK. ALL MEMBERS. AND ANITA PAGE DE FRANTZ, THE
5 MOTHERS OF ANITA DE FRANTZ, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF WHAT WAS
6 KNOWN ORIGINALLY AS THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC FOUNDATION, NOW LA84.
7 HER MOTHER RECENTLY PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY AT THE AGE OF 78.
8 SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER DAUGHTER, ANITA DE
9 FRANTZ; AND THREE SONS, ROBERT, JAMES, AND THOMAS DE FRANTZ.
10 ALL MEMBERS. SO ORDERED. I'M NOT GOING TO CALL UP ANY OF THE
11 ITEMS. I'LL MOVE ON TO SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, BECAUSE HE HAS
12 SOME OF THESE, AND I KNOW SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU HAVE ONE. AND
13 THEN YOU MAY WANT TO CALL UP THE OTHER ONE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNING
16 MOTIONS TO GET TO. I'M SORRY. JUST GIVE ME A SECOND. OKAY.
17 MADAM CHAIR, FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
18 MEMORY OF THE FATHER OF ONE OF OUR SECRETARIES IN OUR OFFICE,
19 THE DECEASED IS TEOFILO HERNANDEZ, WHO WAS THE FATHER OF
20 YOLANDA VALDEZ OF OUR STAFF, WHO DIED TRAGICALLY LAST WEEK.
21 AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, HIS FOUR CHILDREN, INCLUDING
22 YOLANDA, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, AND AN EXTENDED FAMILY. AND WE'RE
23 VERY SADDENED BY ALL THAT HAS BEFALLEN THAT FAMILY IN THE LAST
24 WEEK AND A HALF AND WE WISH THEM WELL IN THE DAYS AHEAD. I
25 ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF IDA MILIKOWSKI



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1 DAYAN, WHO IS THE MOTHER OF THE ISRAELI CONSUL GENERAL IN LOS
2 ANGELES, JACOB DAYAN, WHO PASSED AWAY IN ISRAEL LAST WEEK.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS. GERALDINE ROTH, WHO IS SURVIVED
7 BY HER SON, SCOTT, WHO SERVES AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
8 ART DIRECTORS GUILD. A SCENIC TITLE AND GRAPHIC ARTIST HERE IN
9 LOS ANGELES. HE IS SURVIVED BY SONS, SCOTT, ERIC, AND ANDREW;
10 DAUGHTER, DEBRA; AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. PHILIP "FLIP"
11 SMITH, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY IN OUR
12 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. A PROMINENT SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
13 BUSINESSMAN AND COMMUNITY LEADER WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT
14 THE AGE OF 61, FAR TOO YOUNG, OF CANCER. HE WAS THE OWNER OF
15 FLIP'S TIRE CENTER AND PERFORMANCE CONCEPTS IN VAN NUYS, HE
16 WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER AND TWO-TIME PAST PRESIDENT OF THE MID-
17 VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. HE WAS AN ACTIVE AND VISIBLE
18 PRESENCE IN THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THIS INVOLVEMENT WITH THE
19 CHAMBER AND THE ROTARY CLUB OF VAN NUYS, THE AMERICAN HEART
20 ASSOCIATION, AND MANY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. HIS CONCERN OVER
21 SAFETY ISSUES NEAR HIS STORE LED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
22 SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD BUSINESS WATCH PROGRAM, WHICH NOW
23 ENCOMPASSES SEVEN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY COMMUNITIES. HIS SERVICE
24 INCLUDED POLICE-BUSINESS DIALOG PROGRAMS, BUSINESS EDUCATION
25 PARTNERSHIPS, COMMUNITY CLEAN UPS, AND A YEARLY TRACK MEET AT



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1 BIRMINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL IN VAN NUYS FOR AT RISK YOUTH. HIS
2 SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY EARNED HIM THE FERNANDO AWARD. AND ON
3 THE STATE LEVEL, HE WAS ONE OF THE FIRST RECIPIENTS OF THE
4 CALIFORNIA CHAMBER'S SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATES AWARD. HE IS
5 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, "VICKIE" SMITH; A SON, SHAWN SMITH; A
6 DAUGHTER KRISTEN DIETZ; SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN; A SISTER, BOBBIE
7 POLIZZI; STEPDAUGHTERS, CHRISTINE OLSON AND TRACY MCGINNIS.
8 FLIP WAS ONE OF A KIND. AND ONE MAN CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE, HE
9 DID. I THINK I ADJOURNED LAST WEEK IN MEMORY HOWARD ZUCK, BUT
10 I THINK WE HAVE THE INFORMATION NOW. THE FORMER PERSONNEL
11 DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING
12 MOTIONS, MADAM CHAIR.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WAS HOLDING ITEM NUMBER 20. AND I THINK
17 I'VE HAD MY QUESTIONS ANSWERED. 20 AND 65. SO I'M GOING TO
18 RELEASE MY HOLDS ON ITEM 20 AND 65, AND MOVE APPROVAL.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH, WITHOUT OBJECTION,
21 SO ORDERED.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, WHEN WE GET TO THE CLOSED
24 SESSION ITEMS, BEFORE WE GO INTO CLOSED SESSION, I HAVE A
25 SERIES OF GENERIC QUESTIONS I WANT TO POSE TO THE C.E.O. ON



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1 THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER ISSUE. AND I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO HEAR
2 FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, BUT I ALSO HAVE A SERIES OF
3 QUESTIONS THAT I WANT TO RAISE HERE BEFORE WE GO INTO CLOSED
4 SESSION. I'LL DO THAT WHEN WE GET TO THAT ITEM. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** I HELD A COUPLE ITEMS. ONE, I WOULD CALL UP ITEM
9 63. ITEM 63.

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11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HE DID BOTH AT THE SAME TIME. ITEM 63?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE ANY DEPARTMENT MEMBERS
14 HERE OR NOT, BUT I JUST WANTED TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
15 HIGHLIGHT A FEW THINGS ABOUT THE REPORT. FIRST, IT WAS A GOOD
16 REPORT, BUT OBVIOUSLY HIGHLIGHTED SOME VERY SIGNIFICANT
17 CHALLENGES WE HAVE HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ABOUT MEETING
18 OUR CHILD CARE NEEDS. THIS BOARD AND MYSELF HAVE BEEN FOCUSING
19 REALLY ON THIS THE PAST YEAR AND WE WANT TO THANK THE OFFICE
20 OF CHILD CARE FOR THEIR CONTINUED EFFORTS IN THIS. I GUESS THE
21 MOST DISTURBING PART OF ALL IS THAT WE CONTINUE. AND THEY
22 ESTIMATE THAT TO CONTINUE TO SEND BACK OVER \$162 MILLION OVER
23 THE LAST THREE YEARS, AND OBVIOUSLY, YOU KNOW, IT'S PROBABLY
24 ONE OF THOSE ISSUES, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE OTHERS, BUT WHEN
25 I'M OUT, THERE'S ALWAYS SIGNIFICANT QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS AND



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1 ISSUES ABOUT THE FACT THAT THERE'S THESE WAITING LISTS FOR
2 CHILD CARE. IS THERE A WAY TO -- WHILE THESE TROUBLING
3 STATISTICS ARE THERE, TO MAYBE WORK WITH THE STATE? I MEAN, IS
4 THIS A FLEXIBILITY ISSUE OR -- IT DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE A
5 NONPERFORMANCE ISSUE IN THE SENSE. BUT, I MEAN, IT'S JUST THE
6 WAY THAT THE STRINGS ARE ATTACHED TO ALL THE DOLLARS.

7

8 **HOLLY REYNOLDS:** ESSENTIALLY, THAT'S IT. THE WAY THE MONEY
9 COMES DOWN TO THE LOCAL AREAS, COUNTIES, CITIES, IT COMES IN
10 PARTICULAR STREAMS. AND UNLESS YOU USE IT FOR THE DEFINED USE,
11 YOU CAN'T SWITCH IT OVER TO WHAT YOU NEED IT FOR. SO THERE IS
12 A LACK OF FLEXIBILITY IN THIS FUNDING FOR CHILD CARE AND
13 DEVELOPMENT.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THERE ONGOING CONVERSATION WITH THE STATE, WITH
16 THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION HOW WE CAN DEAL WITH THIS?

17

18 **HOLLY REYNOLDS:** THERE IS. AND IN FACT, THE L.A.O.'S OFFICE HAS
19 BEEN WORKING WITH STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. THEY ARE
20 PROPOSING SOME IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SYSTEM. WE HAVEN'T HEARD
21 YET EXACTLY WHAT THEY'RE PROPOSING.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD ASSUME THAT THE STATE'S AWARE OF OUR
24 SIGNIFICANT WAITING LISTS HERE.

25



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1 **HOLLY REYNOLDS:** YES, THEY ARE. YES, THEY ARE. WE REPORT
2 QUARTERLY ON HOW MANY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES ARE ON OUR WAITING
3 LIST. AND AS OF TODAY, IT'S ABOUT 46,000 CHILDREN.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S JUST HARD TO DEAL WITH AN ISSUE OF 46,000
6 KIDS ON A WAITING LIST AND TURNING BACK THE STATE \$162
7 MILLION.

8

9 **HOLLY REYNOLDS:** EXACTLY.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT OUGHT TO GET SOMEONE'S ATTENTION IN
12 SACRAMENTO, AND I THINK IF THERE'S ANYTHING WE AS A BOARD CAN
13 DO TO ELEVATE THAT CONVERSATION, WE NEED TO DO.

14

15 **HOLLY REYNOLDS:** WELL, WE CERTAINLY WANT TO WORK WITH YOU ON
16 THAT, SUPERVISOR.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ARE YOU MOVING THAT ITEM?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
25 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. 70 --



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I WILL CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 70.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 70 IS THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM,
5 AND IF I COULD SWEAR ALL OF THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY ON THIS
6 ITEM, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. [
7 ADMINISTERING OATH]

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. AND ON ITEM
10 NUMBER 70, JUST TO GET THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD, THIS
11 IS THE HEARING ON INCREASES TO SLIP RENTS AND LIVEABOARD
12 CHARGES FOR COUNTY OPERATED ANCHORAGE 47 LOCATED ON PARCEL 47
13 IN MARINA DEL REY.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, MADAM CHAIR, CAN WE HAVE THE
16 DEPARTMENT COME FORWARD AND GIVE A BRIEF OVERVIEW?

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DEPARTMENT, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** OBVIOUSLY THIS -- JUDY FOR EVERYBODY'S
21 CLARIFICATION, THIS IS THE OLD SANTA MONICA WINDJAMMERS YACHT
22 CLUB ON PARCEL 47 THAT THE COUNTY TOOK CONTROL OF ON MARCH
23 11TH, SO WE NOW ACT AS LANDLORD ON THE EXISTING SLIP TENANTS
24 IN THE YACHT CLUB. SO SANTOS, IF YOU GO AHEAD WITH YOUR
25 RECOMMENDATION.



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2 **SANTOS KREIMAN:** SURE. SANTOS KREIMAN, ACTING DIRECTOR OF

3 BEACHES AND HARBORS. AS SUPERVISOR KNABE MENTIONED, ON MARCH

4 25TH OF THIS YEAR, THE SANTA MONICA WINDJAMMERS YACHT CLUB

5 ELECTED NOT TO RENEW THEIR LEASE. AS A RESULT, THE COUNTY

6 INHERITED THE DOCKS ON PARCEL 47. AS A RESULT, WE'VE BEEN IN

7 THE PROCESS OF MANAGING THE OPERATIONS OVER THE LAST THREE

8 MONTHS. WE'VE MANAGED TO NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SANTA

9 MONICA WIND JAMMERS YACHT CLUB SO THAT THEY CAN CONTINUE TO BE

10 HOUSED AT THAT PARTICULAR FACILITY. AS A RESULT OF OUR REVIEW,

11 WE REALIZED OF THE SLIP RATES AT SANTA MONICA WIND JAMMERS. WE

12 REALIZE THAT THE RATES WERE FAR BELOW THE EXISTING RATES THAT

13 ARE BEING CHARGED AT MARINA DEL REY. AS A RESULT, MY STAFF

14 EVALUATED DIFFERENT METHODOLOGIES FOR ESTABLISHING AN ANNUAL

15 SLIP RATE INCREASE. WE'VE REVIEWED DANA POINT HARBOR'S

16 METHODOLOGY, WHICH LIMITS THE AMOUNT OF ANNUAL RATE INCREASES

17 BY THE C.P.I. INCREASE. AND THE RATE WOULD BE ADJUSTED AFTER

18 THE 5TH YEAR BASED ON A FAIR MARKET STUDY. THE DANA POINT

19 ORDINANCE DID NOT REQUIRE A DEPOSIT INTO A SINKING FUND TO PAY

20 FOR REPLACEMENT COSTS. AND ALSO, WE ALSO EVALUATED LONG BEACH,

21 WHICH IS A COST RECOVERY MODEL, WHICH WOULD TAKE INTO

22 CONSIDERATION ALL THE OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE COSTS, REPAIR

23 COSTS, A SINKING FUND COMPONENT AS WELL AS A DEBT SERVICE

24 COMPONENT. AND THEY WOULD GENERATE A RATE, AN ANNUAL RATE

25 BASED OFF THE RECOVERY OF THOSE PARTICULAR COSTS. THE



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1 DEPARTMENT TOOK A DIFFERENT TACK. WE EVALUATED OR SURVEYED ALL
2 OF THE SLIP RENTS IN MARINA DEL REY. WE DECIDED TO TAKE A
3 WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF THE SLIP RATES. THERE'S A HANDOUT THAT I
4 PASSED OUT TO YOU ALL THAT IDENTIFIES WHAT THE RATES WOULD BE
5 FROM 25-FOOT SLIPS ALL THE WAY DOWN TO 50-FOOT SLIPS. AS A
6 RESULT, WE DECIDED TO GO WITH WHAT WE CALL A WEIGHTED
7 METHODOLOGY, WEIGHTED AVERAGE METHODOLOGY. WE'VE ALSO DECIDED
8 THAT IT WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTEREST, IN ORDER TO MITIGATE
9 THE FINANCIAL IMPACT FOR THE TENANTS THERE THAT WE WOULD GO
10 AHEAD AND SPREAD THE COST OF THE INCREASE OVER A THREE-YEAR
11 PERIOD. SO WE'RE HERE BEFORE YOU. THAT WOULD RESULT IN AN
12 INCREASE IN REVENUES FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR TO \$872,000 COMPARED
13 TO, I BELIEVE, IT'S ABOUT 815,000 NOW. WE DID GET SOME
14 CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSIONS DURING OUR SMALL CRAFT HARBOR
15 COMMISSION MEETINGS. THE COMMISSION DID ENDORSE THE
16 DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION. THEY FELT THE RECOMMENDATION WAS
17 AN EQUITABLE WAY OF DISTRIBUTING THE INCREASE IN RATES OVER A
18 THREE-YEAR PERIOD. WE ALSO NEED TO INFORM YOU THAT, AT THE
19 PRESENT TIME, THE CONDITIONS OF THE DOCKS ARE IN A DILAPIDATED
20 STATE, THAT WE INHERITED A MONEY PIT, IS THE WAY I WOULD REFER
21 TO IT. WE'VE EXPERIENCED SOME CONSIDERABLE OPERATING COSTS,
22 MAINTENANCE COSTS, REPAIR COSTS. WE'VE CONDUCTED A STUDY, AN
23 UNDERWATER STUDY, TO TAKE A LOOK AT UNDERNEATH THE DOCKS, TO
24 SEE WHAT THE CONDITION WAS. WE'VE IDENTIFIED THAT ABOUT 38% OF
25 THE DOCKS IN OUR MARINA, WE HAVE ABOUT 200 DOCKS, SO 196 SLIPS



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1 TOTAL, THAT ABOUT 38% ARE IN POOR CONDITION. ANOTHER 43% ARE
2 IN FAIR CONDITION, BUT THE FAIR CONDITION DOCKS, THE REPORT
3 FROM NOBLE CONSULTANTS, WHICH IS A HARBOR ENGINEER, INDICATED
4 THAT THOSE PARTICULAR DOCKS WOULD QUICKLY DETERIORATE INTO A
5 POOR CONDITION WITHIN THE NEXT 2-5 YEARS. AS A RESULT, WE
6 BELIEVE THAT REPLACEMENT STRATEGY IS APPROPRIATE. THE INCREASE
7 IN FEES WOULD ASSIST US IN FINANCING SOME OF THOSE COSTS, AND
8 I'M AVAILABLE FOR ANY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE A MOTION LATER, BUT YOU HAVE SOME PEOPLE
11 THAT WANT TO SPEAK.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** TIM RILEY AND JON NAHHAS. STATE YOUR NAME.

14

15 **TIM RILEY:** MADAM CHAIR, I'M SPEAKING IN SUPPORT.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DO YOU LIKE TO MAKE A STATEMENT, OR WOULD
18 YOU PREFER TO WAIT?

19

20 **TIM RILEY:** NO, THAT'S OKAY. MADAM CHAIR AND HONORABLE MEMBERS
21 OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS TIM RILEY, I'M REPRESENTING THE
22 MARINA DEL REY LESSEE'S ASSOCIATION IN THE CAPACITY AS THEIR
23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. BOTH THE HISTORY OF THE MARINA AS WELL AS
24 THE TERMS OF OUR GROUND LEASES THAT WE OPERATE UNDER SUPPORT
25 THE NOTION THAT MARINA IS A RECREATIONAL BOATING FACILITY AND



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1 THAT THE RENTS FOR BOAT SLIPS SHOULD BE MARKET RATE. RECENT
2 SURVEYS DEMONSTRATE THAT THE RATES CHARGED IN THE MARINA ARE
3 AT OR BELOW IN MOST CASES THE AVERAGES WITHIN THE 60 MILES OF
4 THE MARINA ITSELF. IN FACT, THERE WAS A LOT OF DISCUSSION LATE
5 LAST YEAR BEFORE THE SMALL CRAFT HARBOR COMMISSION ABOUT THE
6 SLIP RATES AND WHAT WAS BEING CHARGED. AND THE DEPARTMENT
7 CONDUCTED A SURVEY OF BOAT SLIPS, NOT ONLY ALL THE INDIVIDUAL
8 ANCHORAGES IN THE MARINA, BUT ANCHORAGES WITHIN 60 MILES OF
9 MARINA DEL REY, AND IT FOUND THAT THE AVERAGE RATE FOR SLIPS
10 IN THE MARINA ON MOST CATEGORIES ARE ACTUALLY BELOW THAT
11 CHARGE, ON AVERAGE AT OTHER MARINAS, PARTICULARLY IN THE 25,
12 30, AND 35-FOOT CATEGORIES, THE SMALLER SLIPS, THE RATES IN
13 THE MARINA ARE BELOW AVERAGE OF THE OTHERS, AND SO IT SUGGESTS
14 THAT THE MARKET DOES WORK AND THAT TO CHANGE IT WOULD NOT MAKE
15 MUCH SENSE, AND THERE'S REALLY NO VALIDITY TO THE COST
16 RECOVERY METHOD THAT HAS BEEN DISCUSSED. THE DEPARTMENT HAS
17 BENT OVER BACKWARDS IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE. THIS IS YOUR
18 COUNTY-OWNED MARINA, NOT OURS, NOT THE PRIVATE MARINAS, YOU'VE
19 BENT OVER BACKWARDS TO TRIGGER THESE INCREASES ON A GRADUAL
20 BASIS OVER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD, AND WE CAN'T REALLY TELL YOU
21 HOW TO MANAGE YOUR OWN MARINA, BUT IF YOU'RE GOING TO REQUIRE
22 QUALITY DOCKS, THEN THE COST RECOVERY METHOD WON'T WORK,
23 PARTICULARLY FOR ANY PRIVATE MARINAS, WE WOULD NEED FINANCING,
24 WE'D NEED TO HAVE TO SHOW A FAIR RETURN. NOW, FOR THE COUNTY,
25 I GUESS THE ISSUE IS, DO YOU WANT TO TAKE AWAY MONEY FROM



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1 OTHER SERVICES THAT ARE ESSENTIAL SERVICES AND IN EFFECT
2 SUBSIDIZE THE SLIPS THAT YOU OWN? WE REALLY DON'T THINK THAT'S
3 A WISE COURSE OF ACTION FOR THE COUNTY TO TAKE WHEN YOU HAVE
4 SO MANY OTHER PRESSING NEEDS TO ADDRESS, SUCH AS LIFE AND
5 SAFETY ISSUES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

6

7 **JON NAHHAS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JON NAHHAS.
8 I HAVE HANDED YOU A PACKET -- OR, EXCUSE ME, THE DEPUTY IS NOW
9 HANDING YOU A PACKET. IN THIS PACKET, WE HAVE LOOKED AT
10 SEVERAL DIFFERENT HARBORS UP AND DOWN OUR COAST. IN
11 PARTICULAR, SANTA BARBARA AND LONG BEACH, WHICH DO OFFER THAT
12 COST RECOVERY MODEL. ITEM 70 ON THE AGENDA INCREASES IN RENTS
13 ON OUR RECENTLY ACQUIRED SLIPS FOR PARCEL 27, NEEDS YOUR
14 ATTENTION. AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE METHODOLOGY IS FLAWED BY
15 THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS. THESE ARE SLIPS THAT
16 HAVE BEEN RECENTLY ACQUIRED, AND WE HAVE ASSUMED CONTROL OVER
17 FROM THE PRIVATE LESSEES. NEARLY 100 BOATERS ATTENDED THE
18 AUGUST 2007 SMALL CRAFT HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING ON THE 50%
19 SLIP FEE INCREASES IN MARINA DEL REY. THE COMMISSIONERS WERE
20 SYMPATHETIC BUT SAID THAT THERE WAS NOTHING THAT THEY COULD DO
21 BECAUSE THIS BOARD HAD DECIDED THAT THERE WAS MARKET VALUE ON
22 OUR PUBLIC LAND. THE COMMISSIONERS ADDED THAT THE ONLY WAY TO
23 ASSESS WHETHER THESE SLIP FEES WERE HIGH WAS TO COMPARE THE
24 PRICING OF OTHER MARINAS, BUT THE MARINAS COMPARED WERE
25 PRIVATELY OPERATED. COMMISSIONER LANDINI FORMED A LETTER TO



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1 THIS BOARD REQUESTED THAT YOU LOOK INTO OFFERING A COST
2 RECOVERY MODEL TO HELP OUR BOATING CITIZENS. THIS COST
3 RECOVERY MODEL WOULD LOOK AT ORIGINAL INVESTMENT AND OPERATING
4 COSTS OF THE DOCKS AND FEES ASSESSED BY UTILIZING A FORMULA.
5 OUR BOATING COMMUNITY MEMBERS SUPPORT THIS CONCEPT. DR. ED
6 MAHONEY, A LEADING BOATING ECONOMIST AND DIRECTOR OF THE
7 RECREATIONAL MARINE RESEARCH CENTER AT MICHIGAN STATE
8 UNIVERSITY, HAS STATED THAT HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT FAIR
9 MARKET VALUE MEANS IN REGARDS TO THE BOAT SLIPS IN MARINA DEL
10 REY. THE NUMEROUS COUNTRIES THAT HE ADVISES, INCLUDING THE
11 UNITED STATES IN BOATING ECONOMICS, HAVE NEVER UTILIZED FAIR
12 MARKET VALUE. TO HIS KNOWLEDGE, THERE HAS NEVER BEEN ANY
13 STUDIES OR FORMULAS PUT FORTH TO ASSESS THE MARKET VALUE OF A
14 BOAT SLIP. AGAIN, THE SLIP FEES HAVE GOTTEN OUT OF CONTROL IN
15 MARINA DEL REY WITH NO EXPLANATION TO OUR BOATERS WITH HOW
16 THESE LESSEES HAVE COME UP WITH THEIR FEES. THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 BEACHES AND HARBORS DIRECTOR HAS STATED THAT GOING TO THE
18 WEBSITES OF THE LESSEES IN THE MARINA IS ALL THE INVESTIGATION
19 THEY HAVE TO DO TO ASSESS THESE FEES AND THAT THEY ARE AT
20 MARKET RATE. NO NEED TO ASK LESSEES TO SUBMIT RECEIPTS OF FEES
21 BY THE BOATERS. NO FORMULAS, NO CALCULATIONS NEEDED. OUR
22 HARBOR IS AT CAPACITY AND NEEDS YOUR ATTENTION TO PROVIDE A
23 STANDARD, A METRIC, A BAR TO EVALUATE THESE SLIPS IN THE
24 MARINA. PARCEL 47 CAN BE UTILIZED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO
25 ASSESS WHETHER ITS CITIZENS ARE GETTING FAIR PRICES ON THEIR



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1 SLIPS. WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU ASK THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND
2 HARBORS TO REVISE THEIR PROPOSAL TO INCLUDE A COST RECOVERY
3 MODEL AND PROVIDE A SYSTEM OF CHECKS AND BALANCES TO RATES IN
4 MARINA DEL REY. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ARE THERE QUESTIONS?

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FROM -- COMMENT -- SORRY. CAN YOU JUST
9 COMMENT ON THAT, SANTOS?

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11 **SANTOS KREIMAN:** SURE. MY RESPONSE IS THAT WE'VE HAD SEVERAL
12 DISCUSSIONS WITH MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE BOATING
13 COMMUNITY ABOUT HOW THE DEPARTMENT ARRIVED AT THIS PARTICULAR
14 METHODOLOGY. WE BELIEVE THAT USING THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT TO
15 DETERMINE WHAT THE FAIR RATE OF RETURN IS FOR THE LESSEE IS
16 OUT OF STEP. THAT WOULD REQUIRE US TO GO BACK TO THE 1960S OR
17 1970S AND SEE WHAT THAT COST IS AND THEN DETERMINE WHAT THE
18 RATE OF RETURN WOULD BE. AND THAT IS WHAT THE COMMUNITY HAS
19 ASKED FOR US TO DO. WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT THAT IS SOLID
20 FINANCIAL PRACTICE IN THIS DAY AND AGE. IN TERMS OF HOW THE
21 DEPARTMENT ARRIVED AT THIS, WE BELIEVE THAT THERE IS A
22 SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF CHECKS AND BALANCES IN TERMS OF HOW THE
23 RATES ARE STRUCTURED WITHIN THE MARINA. WE SURVEY NOT ONLY THE
24 MARINA RATES, WE ALSO SURVEY A 60-MILE RADIUS AND WE USE THE
25 INFORMATION FROM A PUBLIC SOURCE. IT SEEMS THAT THE COMMUNITY



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1 SEEMS TO THINK THAT THERE'S THIS SECRET INFORMATION OR WAY OF
2 OBTAINING INFORMATION IN TERMS OF RATES FOR SPECIFIC BOATERS
3 IN A 60-MILE RADIUS, WHICH THE DEPARTMENT JUST CAN'T DO, AND
4 SO IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE COMPARING APPLES WITH
5 APPLES, WE HAVE TO USE PUBLIC POSTED INFORMATION. SO WE DO USE
6 THE INTERNET TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT THOSE RATES ARE. WE
7 COMPARE THEM WITH THE RATES WITHIN THE MARINA, AND THEN ALSO
8 THE PUBLISHED RATES WITHIN THE 60-MILE RADIUS. WE DO ALSO ONE
9 FURTHER STEP, WHICH IS MY STAFF DOES CALL EACH ONE OF THE
10 ANCHORAGES AND DOES CONFIRM WHAT THOSE RATES ARE ON A
11 ANCHORAGE BY ANCHORAGE BASIS NOT ONLY WITHIN MARINA DEL REY
12 BUT ALSO IN A 60-MILE RADIUS. SO WE BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE
13 SUFFICIENT CHECKS AND BALANCES IN TERMS OF WHAT THE HIGH END
14 OF THE RATES ARE AS WELL AS THE LOW END OF THE RATES. THIS
15 PARTICULAR METHODOLOGY, WE BELIEVE THAT THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE
16 WAS THE BEST WAY TO GO AS OPPOSED TO JUST AN AVERAGE. ONE OF
17 THE OTHER CRITICISMS THAT THIS PARTICULAR POLICY HAD WAS THAT,
18 FROM THE COMMUNITY, WAS THAT WE DID NOT TAKE A LOOK AT THE
19 TYPE OF AMENITIES THAT ARE OFFERED FROM EACH ONE OF THE
20 ANCHORAGES. THAT'S WHY WE WENT TO A WEIGHTED AVERAGE
21 COMPARISON. SOME HAVE MORE AMENITIES, SOME HAVE LESS
22 AMENITIES, BUT WE BELIEVE THAT THE PRICING STRATEGY THAT WE
23 HAVE IN PLACE FOR ANCHORAGE 47 IS AN EQUITABLE ONE. IT DOES
24 SPREAD THE INCREASE OVER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD, SO WE URGE YOUR
25 SUPPORT OF THIS PARTICULAR RECOMMENDATION.



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2 **JON NAHHAS:** MAY I RESPOND?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR?

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE A MOTION THAT I'D LIKE TO BRING IN IN
9 REGARDS TO THIS PARTICULAR ITEM.

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11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S BEEN PASSED OUT -- DOES EVERYONE HAVE
12 THE MOTION?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** ON MARCH 25TH, 2008, THE COUNTY REASSUMED CONTROL
15 OF ANCHORAGE 47 WHEN THE FORMER LESSEE, THE SANTA MONICA YACHT
16 CLUB, ELECTED TO ALLOW ITS LEASE TO EXPIRE. THE ANCHORAGE
17 CONSISTS OF SEVERAL DOCKS WITH 196 RENTABLE SLIPS AND END TIES
18 AND RESTROOMS AND SHOWER FACILITIES FOR BOATERS. THESE DOCKS
19 WERE CONSTRUCTED IN THE EARLY 1970S AND ARE FAST APPROACHING
20 THE END OF A USEFUL LIFE REQUIRING INTENSIVE ONGOING
21 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS AT CONSIDERABLE COST TO THIS COUNTY.
22 SINCE ACQUIRING THE ANCHORAGE, MORE THAN \$208,000 HAS BEEN
23 SPENT TO REMEDY APPROXIMATELY 48 DEFICIENCIES INITIALLY
24 IDENTIFIED BY THE COUNTY'S IN-HOUSE PREMISES INSPECTION TEAM.
25 ADDITIONALLY, IN ORDER FULLY ASCERTAIN THE EXTENT OF THE



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1 PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE DOCKS, THE DEPARTMENT CONTRACTED, AS
2 SANTOS MENTIONED, WITH NOBLE CONSULTANTS FOR WATER AND
3 UNDERWATER ASSESSMENT REPORT. THIS INSPECTION REVEALED THAT
4 THE EXISTING DOCKS HAVE VARIOUS DEGREES OF DETERIORATION,
5 INCLUDING CRACKED AND SPILLED CONCRETE, FAILED CONNECTIONS AND
6 OTHER DEFICIENCIES. MOREOVER THE REPORT ASSESSED THAT
7 APPROXIMATELY 38% OF THE MARINA IS IN POOR CONDITION AND IN
8 NEED OF REPLACEMENT, AND ABOUT 43% IS IN FAIR CONDITION. BUT
9 THE CONDITION OF THAT PORTION OF THE MARINA COULD DISSOLVE
10 INTO A POOR STATUS WITHIN AN ESTIMATED 2-5 YEARS. THE
11 CONSTRUCTION COST TO ENTIRELY REPLACE ALL THE DOCKS IS
12 ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT \$2.3 MILLION IF REPLACEMENT. IS
13 PERFORMED ON A PHASED BASIS. IN ORDER TO AVOID MORE EXPENSIVE
14 COSTS TO MAINTAIN THE EXISTING DOCKS IN A SAFE AND OPERATIONAL
15 CONDITION, PLANS MUST BE MADE AND FUNDING IDENTIFIED FOR THE
16 EVENTUAL REPLACEMENTS OF THE DOCKS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. AND I
17 WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING, THE BOARD
18 APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE BOARD LETTER AND AUTHORIZE
19 THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF BEACHES AND HARBORS TO PROCEED WITH
20 PLANNING THE REPLACEMENT OF THE EXISTING DOCKS WITH A NEW DOCK
21 SYSTEM THAT COMPLIES WITH ALL OF THE DEPARTMENT AND BOATING
22 WATERWAY DESIGN GUIDELINES AND ACCESS REQUIREMENTS FOR THE
23 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES COMPLIANCE, AND RETURN TO THIS
24 BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION OF THAT CAPITAL PROJECT. AND I FURTHER
25 MOVE THAT THE ACTING AUDITOR-CONTROLLER ESTABLISH AN INTEREST-



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1 BEARING ACCOUNT TO DEPOSIT ALL RENTAL INCOME RECEIVED BY THE
2 COUNTY FROM ANCHORAGE 47 PREMISES TO BE SOLELY USED FOR THE
3 ANNUAL OPERATION, REPAIR, MAINTENANCE, AND REPLACEMENT OF
4 ANCHORAGE 47 DOCKS AND PREMISES, WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE
5 COUNTY'S CURRENT PRACTICE OF REQUIRING PRIVATE LESSEES TO
6 DEPOSIT OPERATIONAL FUNDS INTO A RESERVE OR RENOVATION FUND TO
7 ADDRESS THE DETERIORATING CONDITION OF THE LAND SIDE AND WATER
8 SIDE IMPROVEMENTS.

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10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **JON NAHHAS:** MADAM CHAIR, MAY I RESPOND?

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14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I DON'T KNOW... GO RIGHT AHEAD.

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16 **JON NAHHAS:** THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, WHEN WE CONSTRUCTED THIS
17 MARINA, WE SAID THAT AFTER WE PAID THE BOND BACK, IT WOULD GO
18 BACK TO THE PUBLIC, AND THAT THE LESSEES WERE ACTUALLY BROUGHT
19 IN TO PROVIDE THOSE SLIPS FOR THE BOATERS. WE CREATED THIS
20 SMALL CRAFT HARBOR AND WE LET PRIVATE INVESTMENT COME IN.
21 AFTER THE BOND WAS PAID OFF, IT WAS SUPPOSEDLY GOING TO GO
22 BACK TO THE PUBLIC. THAT NEVER HAPPENED, AND THESE MARKET
23 RATES, A LAWSUIT WHICH YOU I THINK HAVE FILED AGAINST THE
24 COUNTY BACK IN THE EARLY '80S, MADAM CHAIR, THIS FAIR RETURN
25 ON INVESTMENT WAS LOST AND WE WENT TO FAIR MARKET VALUE, AND



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1 THIS FAIR MARKET VALUE IS AN OXYMORON. WE'VE HAD OUR LEADING
2 ECONOMISTS SAY IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK YOU'VE ALREADY MADE THAT STATEMENT.
5 YOU'VE DISCUSSED IT.

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7 **JON NAHHAS:** BUT GETTING BACK TO WHAT YOU'RE HEARING FROM --

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF THERE IS ANYTHING NEW YOU'D LIKE TO ADD.

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11 **JON NAHHAS:** I'M SORRY.

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BUT YOU DID HAVE AMPLE OPPORTUNITY. WE
14 REALLY CAN'T GET INVOLVED IN THIS AT THIS POINT. WE GAVE YOU
15 AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK, AND YOU GAVE YOUR STATEMENT.

16

17 **JOHN NAHHAS:** OKAY. BUT GETTING BACK TO WHAT MR. BURKE AND MR.
18 KREIMAN HAVE SAID--

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'M NOT GOING TO GET INTO THAT. YOU'VE MADE
21 YOUR STATEMENT, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, AND WE TOOK THE VOTE. I
22 OPENED IT UP AND I DID IT OUTSIDE OF ACTUALLY THE PROCEEDINGS
23 THAT I SHOULD HAVE FOLLOWED, SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SINCE YOU REOPENED IT FOR HIS CONSIDERATION THAT
2 WE WOULD CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED AND SECONDED. BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT
5 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THEN MOVE THE ITEM. AS AMENDED BY MOTION.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AS AMENDED, MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY
10 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THE NEXT ITEM --

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WOULD BE A CS-2 ITEM. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
13 PUBLIC SPEAKERS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I DIDN'T HOLD ANY OTHER ITEMS, SO I'M OKAY.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** CS-2 IS THE CLOSED SESSION ITEMS.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED
22 TO SPEAK ON CS-2. MAUREEN CRUISES, RICCO ROSS, ROBIN GIBSON.
23 WE'LL TAKE THEM. AND THEN WE'LL CALL MIMI KENNEDY AND MICHAEL
24 JAY NEXT AFTER WE'VE HEARD FROM THEM. ROBIN GIBSON. RICCO
25 ROSS, AND MAUREEN CRUISE. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.



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2 **MAUREEN CRUISE:** YES. MY NAME IS MAUREEN CRUISE. I'M A NATIVE
3 OF L.A. COUNTY AND I HAVE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY, FOR L.A.
4 PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT, I'VE WORKED FOR THE STATE, I'VE
5 WORKED FOR THE CITY, AND I'VE BEEN A PUBLIC SERVANT AND
6 ACTIVIST ALL MY LIFE. I VOLUNTEERED IN ELECTIONS AS POLL
7 WORKER, POLL WATCHER, OBSERVER AND HAVE DONE MANY OTHER THINGS
8 BEGINNING AS A CHILD WITH MY DAD, WHO WAS HONORED BY THIS
9 COMMITTEE OF SUPERVISORS IN 2001, IN MEMORIAM, AS YOU HAVE
10 DONE TODAY FOR SO MANY OTHERS, AND MY MOTHER STILL APPRECIATES
11 THE CERTIFICATE FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE. I'M GOING TO START WITH
12 MY DAD, WHO WAS A PUBLIC ACTIVIST AND INVOLVED IN ELECTIONS
13 ALL OF HIS LIFE. IN 2000, HE HAD A STROKE WATCHING THE
14 ELECTIONS. I WENT TO THE HOSPITAL TO SEE HIM AFTER HIS STROKE.
15 AND HE WAS HEMIPLEGIC. AND HE HAD TEARS IN HIS EYES. AND THE
16 ONE THING HE SAID TO ME WAS, "THEY'VE STOLEN THE ELECTION. I
17 DIDN'T GO TO WAR FOR THIS." MY DAD DIED TWO MONTHS LATER AND
18 RECEIVED RECOGNITION FROM THIS BODY FOR ALL THE WORK THAT HE
19 HAS DONE ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITY ACTIVISM. SO ELECTION
20 INTEGRITY HAS A VERY SPECIAL MEANING FOR ME. THE REGISTRAR OF
21 VOTERS IS AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT POSITION. A QUALIFIED
22 PROFESSIONAL REGISTRAR IS ESSENTIAL TO OUR DEMOCRACY. THE IDEA
23 THAT ONE PERSON, NO MATTER HOW WELL REGARDED, WILL VET AND
24 SELECT A SINGLE CANDIDATE TO BE PRESENTED TO YOU, THE
25 SUPERVISORS, IS ALARMING. NO ONE PERSON, NO MATTER HOW



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1 VIRTUOUS OR TALENTED, SHOULD HAVE THIS POWER. SOME REMEDIES
2 HAVE BEEN SUGGESTED BY CITIZEN ACTIVISTS. ONE IS THAT THE
3 ADVISORY PANEL SHOULD BE GIVEN THIS RESPONSIBILITY AND REMAIN
4 INVOLVED THROUGH THE FINAL SELECTION. THE PANEL MEMBERS'
5 IDENTITY SHOULD BE KNOWN PUBLICLY. THERE IS NO INFORMATION ON
6 WHO THE PANEL MEMBERS ARE. CANDIDATE I.D.S, OF COURSE, MUST BE
7 KEPT PRIVATE AND THAT'S WELL UNDERSTOOD, BUT WHY THE PANELISTS
8 WHO VET THE CANDIDATES? ACCESSIBILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND
9 ACCOUNTABILITY ARE DEMOCRACY'S BEST PRACTICES. A PUBLIC, TAX
10 FUNDED SYSTEM SHOULD FORMALLY INCORPORATE CITIZEN INPUT.
11 VOTERS' INCLUSION ON THE PANEL IN THE SELECTION, OR IN THE
12 SELECTION OF A PANEL SHOULD INCORPORATED INTO THE SYSTEM. WE
13 WOULD ALSO PREFER THAT THE SUPERVISORS YOURSELVES VET A FINAL
14 SLATE OF CANDIDATES FROM THIS PANEL. WE HAVE ELECTED YOU TO
15 REPRESENT US. WE HAVE REPRESENTED YOU TO REPRESENT OUR
16 INTERESTS. WE TRUST YOU WITH THE JOB OF OVERSIGHT OF THE
17 ELECTION PROCESS. WE WOULD LIKE YOU, OUR SUPERVISORS, TO BE
18 HANDS-ON AND INFORMED AND INVOLVED TO THE VERY -- FROM THE
19 BEGINNING TO THE END OF THE PROCESS. WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW
20 WHO IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR THIS POSITION.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. PLEASE
23 STATE YOUR NAME.

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1 **RICCO ROSS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS RICCO ROSS, 42ND A.D., CO-CHAIR
2 OF P.D.L.A. AND CHAIR OF THE LOCAL STATION BOARD OF K.P.F.K.
3 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. ALSO, MAY I SAY, SUPERVISOR BURKE,
4 WE'LL BE SORRY THAT YOU'RE LEAVING US. I, TOO, WOULD LIKE TO
5 START ON THE ISSUE OF THE HIRING OF THE NEW REGISTRAR. MAY I
6 START BY STATING THAT MY COLLEAGUES AND I ARE NOT YOUR
7 ADVERSARIES, WE'RE NOT YOUR OPPONENTS. THE BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS, MR. FUJIOKA, THE L.A. AND THE L.A. ELECTION
9 PROTECTION TASK FORCE ARE TEAMMATES. WE ARE ON THE SAME SIDE.
10 WE ARE ON THE SIDE OF FAIRNESS, THE SIDE OF TRANSPARENCY, THE
11 SIDE OF ACCURACY. WE ARE YOUR EYES, YOUR EARS, AND YOUR VOICES
12 ON THE STREETS, AND WE DO IT WITHOUT A PAYCHECK. WE, WITH THE
13 MEETING OF ONE OF OUR CLUBS OR A CLICK OF ONE OF OUR COMPUTERS
14 HAVE ACCESS TO THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF VOTERS. WHAT AN
15 ASSET FOR YOU. NOW, WE KNOW THAT YOU ARE HIRING -- THAT YOU'VE
16 HIRED A HEAD HUNTER COMPANY TO ATTRACT MORE THAN 27
17 CANDIDATES, WHICH HAS NOW BEEN WHITTLED DOWN TO, WHAT, FIVE,
18 SOMETHING LIKE THAT. WE KNOW THAT THIS -- THERE IS A CLOSED
19 MEETING TO POSSIBLY CHOOSE THE PERMANENT REGISTRAR LATER ON
20 TODAY. WE ALSO APPRECIATE THE NECESSITY OF CONFIDENTIALITY IN
21 RESPECT OF THE NAMES OF THESE CANDIDATES ON THE SHORT LIST.
22 MR. FUJIOKA WAS KIND ENOUGH TO MEET WITH US NEAR THE BEGINNING
23 OF THE SEARCH FOR THE PERMANENT REGISTRAR, AND HE DIDN'T HAVE
24 TO DO THAT, BUT HE DID, AND WE APPRECIATE IT. IN THE INTEREST
25 OF TRANSPARENCY, I WOULD LIKE TO RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT ONE OR



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1 MORE OF L.A. ELECTION PROTECTION TASK FORCE MEMBERS, AFTER
2 SIGNING A LETTER OF CONFIDENTIALITY TO PROTECT THE NAMES OF
3 THE CANDIDATES, BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND THAT MEETING. KNOW THIS:
4 GOOD OR BAD, THIS DECISION WILL HAVE A HUGE IMPACT ON THE
5 PUBLIC. AND THE PUBLIC HAS A RIGHT TO KNOW THAT EVERY EFFORT
6 WAS TAKEN TO HIRE THE MOST QUALIFIED, THE MOST TRUSTWORTHY
7 PERSON FOR THIS VERY IMPORTANT POSITION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BEFORE THE NEXT SPEAKER BEGINS, I WOULD
10 LIKE TO RECOGNIZE, IN THE BACK, FLORENCE FIRESTONE YOUTH
11 LEADERSHIP ACADEMY. WELCOME. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HOPE YOU'RE HAVING A VERY INFORMATIVE
14 DAY AND WE WELCOME YOU HERE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK
15 YOU. ALL RIGHT.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME TO
18 INTERRUPT. GO AHEAD AND STATE YOUR NAME.

19

20 **ROBIN GIBSON:** MY NAME IS ROBIN GIBSON. I'M FROM THE LOS
21 ANGELES ELECTION PROTECTION TASK FORCE ALSO. EACH ONE OF YOU
22 IS A HIGH LEVEL ELECTED OFFICIAL CHOSEN BY THE CITIZENS OF
23 L.A. TO OVERSEE OUR HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE. THE
24 DEPARTMENT OF THE REGISTRAR IS ONE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO ME
25 BECAUSE IN A DEMOCRACY, ELECTIONS ARE THE ONLY WAY THAT



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1 CITIZENS' VOICES ARE HEARD. AND YET ALL OF YOU CHOOSE TIME AND
2 TIME AGAIN TO ASSIGN YOUR TASK OF VETTING ELECTION ISSUES TO
3 ONE SINGLE PERSON. NOT ONLY ARE THESE PEOPLE NOT ELECTED, OR,
4 IN THIS CASE, IT'S MR. FUJIOKA, IT'S THIS PERSON. BUT OVER AND
5 OVER AGAIN, WE SEE THAT THE DECISIONS THAT ARE MADE IN YOUR
6 NAME ARE NOT THE BEST CHOICES FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY.
7 JUST AS IN THE PAST, YOU FOLLOWED THE ADVICE OF ONE SINGLE
8 PERSON WHO HAS VERY CLOSE TIES TO THE VENDING INDUSTRIES.
9 STILL, YOU VOTE UNANIMOUSLY AGAIN AND AGAIN FOR THE
10 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY MR. FUJIOKA WITH REGARD TO OUR
11 ELECTIONS, AND I WONDER WHETHER OR NOT YOU ACTUALLY TAKE THE
12 TIME TO READ OUR ELECTION CONTRACTS AND DOCUMENTS AND TO THINK
13 ABOUT EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE SIGNING YOUR NAMES TO. THIS TIME,
14 TODAY, IN CHOOSING A REGISTRAR, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU TAKE
15 THIS TIME AND ASK EVERY POSSIBLE QUESTION, FOR YOU ARE OUR
16 REPRESENTATIVES. I ASK YOU TO BE AWARE THAT WE ARE PAYING
17 1,717,000 AND SOMETHING DOLLARS FOR A WEBSITE, POLL WORKER
18 TRAINING WEBSITE TO AN OUT-OF-STATE CORPORATION WHOSE C.E.O.
19 HAS BEEN UNDER S.E.C. INVESTIGATION FOR 10 YEARS, AND TO A
20 COMPANY WHICH, QUOTE, "BOTCHED THE 2000 ELECTION IN PALM BEACH
21 COUNTY WITH ITS DATABASE ERRORS," AT MR. FUJIOKA'S
22 RECOMMENDATION. I ASK YOU TO BE AWARE THAT OUR ELECTIONS ARE
23 CURRENTLY MANAGED BY THREE SOFTWARE CORPORATIONS, DIEBOLD,
24 S.O.E. AND ROBUS. AND I SAY MANAGED BECAUSE THEIR TECHNICIANS
25 HAVE TOTAL ACCESS TO OUR DATABASE AND OUR CENTRAL TABULATOR.



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1 ONE IS UNDER INVESTIGATION BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
2 COMMISSION, ANOTHER BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. I ASK YOU TO
3 BE AWARE THAT OUR COUNTY IS NOT SUPPOSED TO DO BUSINESS WITH
4 COMPANIES OF QUESTIONABLE REPUTATION, AND YET WE CONTINUE TO
5 DO SO. I ASK YOU TO BE AWARE THAT THESE CONTRACTS CAN AND
6 SHOULD BE FULFILLED BY L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEES, OR AT THE VERY
7 LEAST, BY LOCAL BUSINESSES. AND I ASK YOU, AS OUR ONLY
8 REPRESENTATIVES, TO DO EVERYTHING IN YOUR POWER TO FIND OUT
9 EVERYTHING YOU CAN ABOUT EACH CANDIDATE NOMINATED FOR
10 REGISTRAR, INSTEAD OF RELYING ON ANY RECOMMENDATION FROM ANY
11 ONE PERSON. I ASK YOU TO MAKE THE SELECTION PROCESS PUBLIC AND
12 TRANSPARENT, AS I SHOULD BE, WITH THE CANDIDATES' NAMES
13 REDACTED FOR PRIVACY. AND LASTLY, I ASK YOU TO BE AWARE, IF
14 THESE CONTRACTS OR THESE ELECTION DECISIONS EVER COME UNDER
15 INVESTIGATION BY ANY GOVERNMENT ENTITY, IT WON'T BE OKAY TO
16 SIMPLY SAY, SO-AND-SO RECOMMENDED THIS COURSE OF ACTION AND WE
17 TRUSTED HIM.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL CALL UP MIMI
20 KENNEDY AND MICHAEL JAY. WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, SUPERVISOR
21 ANTONOVICH HAS ASKED TO RECONSIDER ITEM NUMBER 64. I'LL MOVE
22 THE RECONSIDERATION OF 64. SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. AND THEN
23 64, I'LL ASK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WILL MOVE FOR APPROVAL.
24 I'LL SECOND IT, AND WE'LL RECORD MR. ANTONOVICH'S "NO" ON 64.
25 SO ORDERED. YES.



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2 **MIMI KENNEDY:** YEAH. HI, I'M MIMI KENNEDY. I'M AN ELECTION
3 PROTECTION ACTIVIST WITH PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF AMERICA AND
4 CALIFORNIA ELECTION PROTECTION NETWORK. YOU'RE ABOUT TO HEAR
5 IN CLOSED SESSION A RECOMMENDATION FOR A NEW L.A. REGISTRAR.
6 ABOUT A YEAR AGO, I REMEMBER COMING HERE AND HOPING THAT YOU
7 GUYS WOULD APPOINT AN OMBUDSMAN FOR REGISTRAR MATTERS SO THAT
8 PEOPLE INTERESTED IN SECURE ELECTIONS WOULD KNOW WHO TO TALK
9 TO IN TERMS OF THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY. AND MR. FUJIOKA
10 WAS SUBSEQUENTLY TASKED WITH THE SEARCH FOR A NEW REGISTRAR.
11 AND HE MET WITH US, AND AS MR. ROSS SAID, HE DIDN'T HAVE TO DO
12 THAT, WE WERE VERY GRATEFUL. AND HE SAID AT THE TIME HE
13 WELCOMED OUR INPUT AND WE LEFT WITH THE IMPRESSION THAT THERE
14 WOULD BE A TRANSPARENT PROCESS, A WORD HE USED, THAT OUR INPUT
15 WOULD BE WELCOMED. IT DID NOT PROVE TO BE SO. I UNDERSTAND THE
16 CONFIDENTIALITY REGARDING CANDIDATES. BUT I DIDN'T EVER FEEL
17 THERE WAS AN APPROPRIATE VENUE FOR US TO HAVE INPUT OR TO SEE
18 ANYTHING, SO IT WAS OPAQUE, NOT TRANSPARENT. THEREFORE, YOU
19 ARE LEFT AS OUR SURROGATES IN THIS CLOSED SESSION, AND I JUST
20 WANTED TO REITERATE THE ISSUES THAT YOU'VE HEARD. OUR
21 ELECTIONS HAVE BEEN SLOWLY GOING INTO PRIVATE HANDS, NOT
22 PUBLIC. AND I BELIEVE THE L.A. REGISTRAR, YOU DO CHOOSE, THE
23 ISSUE IS TRANSPARENCY, AND A RESTORATION TO THE COUNTY STAFF,
24 WHICH IS READY AND ABLE TO PROTECT OUR VOTES TO COUNT THEM
25 ACCURATELY AS CAST AND TO STOP THE DISENFRANCHISEMENT THAT



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1 WE'VE LEARNED ABOUT, WHETHER IT IS THROUGH INCOMPETENCE OR
2 INTENT, WE WOULD NEVER KNOW. I ASK YOU IN THIS CLOSED SESSION
3 TO ASK ABOUT THIS PROCESS, TO ASK ABOUT ALL THE CANDIDATES,
4 AND TO TAKE VERY SERIOUSLY YOUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHOOSING
5 THIS NEW REGISTRAR. AND I HOPE IT'S A WIN FOR ALL OF US. THANK
6 YOU FOR YOUR WORK. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MICHAEL JAY.

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10 **MICHAEL JAY:** THANK YOU. HELLO. I'M MICHAEL JAY. I'M THE CO-
11 CHAIR OF PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF LOS ANGELES. YOU KNOW THAT
12 I'VE TAKEN A VERY ACTIVE ROLE IN TRYING TO ASSURE LOS ANGELES
13 HAS A VOTING SYSTEM AND A REGISTRAR WORTHY OF ITS MILLIONS OF
14 VOTERS. I'M HERE TO ASK YOU TO NOW TAKE A VERY ACTIVE ROLE IN
15 THIS FINAL PHASE OF THE SEARCH FOR A PERMANENT REGISTRAR. I
16 URGE THIS OF YOU BECAUSE I PERCEIVE A VERY ARTIFICIAL
17 BOTTLENECK WHICH CAN ONLY COMPROMISE WHAT SHOULD BE A TRULY
18 OPEN PROCESS. WE DID MEET WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
19 RESOURCES AND MR. HENRY. AND WE'RE TOLD THE CANDIDATES FOR
20 REGISTRAR WOULD BE PARSED BY A PANEL OF EMPLOYEES AND
21 ACADEMICS FIRST IN THE ELECTION PROCESS. WE WERE DISMAYED TO
22 LEARN THE PANEL ULTIMATELY OFFERS A SELECTION OF SEVERAL
23 CANDIDATES AND IS THEN REMOVED FROM THE PROCESS. PARDON ME. I
24 WISH ALL THE SUPERVISORS WERE HEARING THIS. NOW ESSENTIALLY
25 ONE PERSON, C.E.O. FUJIOKA, HAS OVERRIDING AUTHORITY TO SELECT



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1 A CANDIDATE AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO YOU. AND THERE IS OUR
2 BOTTLENECK. IT PUZZLES ME THAT ONE LAYPERSON'S OPINION TRUMPS
3 THE OPINION OF A PANEL OF PROFESSIONALS AND ACADEMICS. UNLIKE
4 YOU, THAT ONE PERSON, THE C.E.O., WAS NOT ELECTED. THAT ONE
5 PERSON WAS ALSO THE SAME PERSON WHO RECOMMENDED A CANDIDATE
6 FOR ACTING REGISTRAR, A SCENARIO WHICH INHERENTLY COMPROMISES
7 THIS DECISION. THAT ONE PERSON, THE C.E.O., WAS RESPONSIBLE
8 FOR VETTING THE CANDIDATE FOR ACTING REGISTRAR BUT DID NOT DO
9 A THOROUGH JOB. HAD HE DONE A THOROUGH JOB, YOU WOULD NOT HAVE
10 HAD TO, AT THE DECEMBER 11TH MEETING, PUBLICLY REQUEST THE
11 CANDIDATE'S C.V. IT'S PERFECTLY REASONABLE FOR US TO WONDER IF
12 MR. FUJIOKA DID NOT RESEARCH THE CANDIDATE'S EDUCATION, DID HE
13 RESEARCH THE CANDIDATE'S CRIMINAL OR FINANCIAL BACKGROUND?
14 THAT IS PERFECTLY REASONABLE TO WONDER, AND SO WE ASK YOU, OUR
15 ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES, TO TAKE A VERY ACTIVE ROLE IN THIS
16 UPCOMING MEETING. AT MINIMUM, WE ASK THAT YOU ASK THE C.E.O.,
17 WHAT ARE THE IDENTITIES AND DETAILS OF ALL THE CANDIDATES WHO
18 APPLIED TO BE L.A. COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS. THE REASONS FOR
19 SELECTING THE WINNER AND THE REASON THE OTHERS WERE REJECTED.
20 AND SPECIFICALLY TO ASK, DID THE SEARCH PANEL AND DID THE
21 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES HONOR THE DEPARTMENT'S PROMISE
22 TO VET THE APPLICANTS FOR FINANCIAL TIES TO ELECTION VENDORS?
23 AND WAS THE PANEL ITSELF VETTED FOR TIES TO ELECTION VENDORS?
24 WE ALSO REQUEST THE SUPERVISORS MAKE A FULL REPORT OMITTING AS
25 NECESSARY PERSONAL INFORMATION AT THE FIRST PUBLIC BOARD



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1 MEETING FOLLOWING THIS CLOSED SESSION. FINALLY, I ASK FOR THE
2 SEARCH PANEL TO BE INCLUDED IN YOUR CLOSED SESSION. TO THIS
3 END, I ASK, IF NECESSARY, YOU CONTINUE THIS MEETING IN ORDER
4 TO ARRANGE FOR A SEARCH PANEL TO REPORT TO YOU DIRECTLY AS
5 PART OF THAT MEETING. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I THINK THAT CONCLUDES THE
8 PUBLIC COMMENT.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT WAS ONLY ON ITEM CS-2.

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12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ON CS-2.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:**

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I'M GOING TO TAKE A FEW
19 MINUTES, BECAUSE THIS IS -- I THINK IT IS A SERIOUS ISSUE, NOT
20 ONLY BECAUSE OF THE JOB THAT'S BEING FILLED, OR RECOMMENDED TO
21 BE FILLED, BUT ALSO JUST THE WAY WE DO BUSINESS HERE
22 GENERALLY, AND I KNOW WE'VE DONE THIS -- THIS IS NEW FOR US,
23 TOO, BECAUSE WE HAVE 7 OR 8 INTERIM GENERAL MANAGERS, BUT THIS
24 IS THE FIRST PERMANENT RECOMMENDATION. I MAY BE WRONG ON THAT,
25 BUT IT'S CERTAINLY THE FIRST ONE THAT'S CONTROVERSIAL, OR HAS



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1 POTENTIAL CONTROVERSY. SO WE'RE LEARNING AS WE'RE GOING ALONG
2 ALSO. I WANT TO JUST, FIRST OF ALL, I THINK MOST IF NOT ALL OF
3 THE INDIVIDUALS WHO SPOKE HERE AND WHO HAVE BEEN BIRD-DOGGING
4 THIS ISSUE FOR QUITE SOME TIME ARE MY CONSTITUENTS. BUT JUST
5 BECAUSE THEY'RE MY CONSTITUENTS DOESN'T MEAN THEY SHOULDN'T BE
6 TAKEN SERIOUSLY. [LAUGHTER]

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY'VE DONE THIS COUNTY A GREAT SERVICE AND
9 I WANT TO PUBLICLY SAY THAT. ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS, IN A
10 NUMBER OF -- ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES THAT HAVE COME UP AND, AS
11 I'VE TOLD THEM PRIVATELY AND AS I'VE SAID IT BEFORE HERE, I'LL
12 SAY IT AGAIN TODAY, WE TAKE THEM SERIOUSLY, WE TAKE WHAT THEY
13 HAVE TO SAY SERIOUSLY, AND I'M GRATEFUL AND I KNOW THAT THE
14 REST OF THE BOARD IS GRATEFUL FOR THE ZEAL WITH WHICH YOU COME
15 TO US AND SHARE INFORMATION WITH US BECAUSE FRANKLY THIS IS
16 THE ONE THING THAT YOU CARE MOST ABOUT IN A PUBLIC POLICY
17 SENSE, AT LEAST TO THE EXTENT THAT I'M AWARE, WE HAVE A
18 THOUSAND THINGS ON OUR PLATE, AND TO HAVE A GROUP OF PEOPLE
19 WHO ARE THIS KNOWLEDGEABLE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US AND IT'S
20 HELPFUL TO US. AND I SAY THAT FROM THE OUTSET. SECONDLY, I
21 WANT TO SAY THAT ONE MAN IS NOT GOING TO MAKE THIS DECISION.
22 ONE MAN IS GOING TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION. THE DECISION IS
23 GOING TO BE THE DECISION OF THE FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS. THE BOARD IS NOT OBLIGATED, IF IT DOESN'T CHOOSE
25 TO ACCEPT MR. FUJIOKA'S RECOMMENDATION. AND SO I WANT TO MAKE



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1 THAT CLEAR. THIRDLY, I THINK IT'S FAIR, I'VE DISCUSSED THIS
2 WITH MR. FUJIOKA PRIVATELY AND I'M GOING TO SAY IT PUBLICLY, I
3 THINK IT'S FAIR TO HAVE MORE THAN JUST ONE -- I'D LIKE TO
4 KNOW, AND I'M GOING TO ASK THAT WHEN WE GET INTO CLOSED
5 SESSION, THAT YOU SHARE WITH US THE TOP TIER OF CANDIDATES
6 THAT YOU'VE CONSIDERED, THEIR CURRICULUM VITAE, THEIR
7 STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES, SO IN A SENSE REPLICATE THE WAY WE
8 USED TO DO IT, EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE A
9 RECOMMENDATION. WE OUGHT TO HAVE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS YOU
10 HAD AVAILABLE TO YOU IN FRONT OF US, AT LEAST AS TO THE TOP
11 TIER, AND IF WE WANT TO GO FURTHER THAN THAT, THAT'LL BE THE
12 BOARD'S DECISION. AND MR. FUJIOKA HAS AGREED TO DO THAT. AND
13 WE'LL HAVE THAT AVAILABLE TO ALL OF US WHEN WE GO INTO CLOSED
14 SESSION. I DO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE A NUMBER OF
15 QUESTIONS ANSWERED IN PUBLIC. THIS IS NOT RELATED TO ANY
16 PARTICULAR CANDIDATE, BUT IT'S RELATED TO THE PROCESS. AND I
17 DON'T BELIEVE MR. FORTNER, OUR COUNSEL, THAT THERE'S ANYTHING
18 THAT COULD PRECLUDE ME FROM ASKING AND FOR THE STAFF FROM
19 ANSWERING QUESTIONS THAT DEAL WITH THE PROCESS, THE WAY THIS
20 WAS ORGANIZED, WHO WERE THE MEMBERS OF THE VETTING COMMITTEE,
21 AND THOSE KINDS OF THINGS. WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE TALKING ABOUT
22 ANY PERSONNEL ITEMS, AND I'D LIKE TO GO THROUGH A SERIES OF
23 QUESTIONS TO MR. FUJIOKA IN PARTICULAR. SO LET ME START WITH
24 THAT, AND JUST DON'T -- JUST GIVE ME RAPID-FIRE ANSWERS
25 BECAUSE THERE ARE QUITE A FEW QUESTIONS. SOME OF THEM YOU'VE



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1 HEARD POSED HERE AND MOST OF THEM, MOST OF THEM, ARE BEYOND
2 WHAT WERE POSED BY THE CITIZENS WHO SPOKE. NUMBER ONE, WHO
3 WROTE THE JOB BULLETIN FOR THIS JOB?

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BEFORE I ANSWER THIS SERIES OF QUESTIONS, I
6 KNOW THERE'S GOING TO BE QUITE A FEW. PLEASE KNOW, THOUGH,
7 THAT AS WE GO INTO THE CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSION, IT IS OUR
8 ABSOLUTE INTENT TO TALK ABOUT THE CANDIDATES WHO WENT THROUGH
9 THE DIFFERENT PHASES OF THE PROCESS, TO GIVE YOU INFORMATION
10 THAT SPEAKS TO THEIR INDIVIDUAL QUALIFICATIONS, OUR
11 ASSESSMENT, WHAT HAPPENED AT THE INTERVIEW PROCESS, WHAT ALSO
12 HAPPENED AT MY PERSONAL INTERVIEWS THAT I CONDUCTED WITH
13 ANOTHER PERSON IN MY OFFICE, AND THEN THE BASIS FOR THE FIRST
14 RECOMMENDATION. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT FIRST RECOMMENDATION,
15 BECAUSE WHAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY STATED IS THAT WHAT I'M
16 DOING TODAY IS MERELY A RECOMMENDATION. THE FINAL APPOINTMENT
17 RESTS WITH THE FIVE MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD. SO I WANT TO
18 EMPHASIZE THAT. TODAY, THE FIRST QUESTION, AND I'M ALSO JOINED
19 BY MIKE HENRY, OUR DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES, AND ALSO THE
20 EXECUTIVE SEARCH FIRM, WE HAVE HEATHER, WHO IS WITH RALPH
21 ANDERSEN, WHO CONDUCTED THIS SEARCH, THEY'LL HELP ME ANSWER
22 SOME OF YOUR QUESTIONS. IT WAS PREPARED BY, LIKE ANY OTHER
23 SEARCH WE'VE DONE THROUGHOUT WHATEVER, BECAUSE I'VE DONE
24 EXECUTIVE SEARCHES, NOT ONLY FOR THE CITY OF L.A., BUT PRIOR
25 TO LEAVING THE COUNTY BACK IN 1997, I WAS HANDLING EXECUTIVE



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1 SEARCHES THEN. IT WAS PREPARED BY OUR DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
2 RESOURCES WITH APPROVAL FROM OUR OFFICE.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WHAT ARE THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR
5 THE JOB? I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO ANSWER THAT.

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I CAN GO OVER THOSE.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, GO AHEAD.

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ONE THING, THERE'S A TWO-TIERED PROCESS IN
12 IDENTIFYING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS POSITION. BOTH MINIMUM
13 REQUIREMENTS AND DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS. THE MINIMUM
14 REQUIREMENTS SPEAK TO DEMONSTRATED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND
15 ABILITIES REQUIRED IN MANAGING A LARGE ORGANIZATION. SUCH
16 MANAGEMENT INCLUDES DIRECTING BUDGET PERSONNEL, FISCAL SUPPLY,
17 AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS, WHICH RECOGNIZE IN THIS
18 POSITION LIKE WE HAVE WITH OTHER OF OUR DEPARTMENT HEAD
19 POSITIONS, THIS IS ESSENTIALLY A MANAGEMENT POSITION. AND THEN
20 WE SPEAK TO DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS THAT GETS INTO THE
21 SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS THAT WE FEEL ARE ESSENTIAL TO PERFORM
22 THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THIS POSITION. THE FIRST IS
23 KNOWLEDGE OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL ELECTION LAWS,
24 POLICIES, AND PROCEDURES AND THE MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC
25 DOCUMENTS AND OTHER VITAL RECORDS. SECOND, EXTENSIVE



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1 EXPERIENCE IN VOTER REGISTRATION, FAMILIARITY WITH DATA
2 PROCESSING SYSTEMS. THERE IS A VERY SIGNIFICANT I.T. COMPONENT
3 IN THIS JOB, KNOWLEDGE OF RECORDING LAWS, KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS,
4 AND ABILITIES REQUIRED IN THE OVERALL DIRECTION OF LARGE
5 ELECTIONS OR MAJOR RECORDING OPERATIONS. AND I WANT TO NOTE,
6 THESE ARE NOT LISTED IN ORDER OF PRIORITY. SO I DON'T WANT
7 ANYONE -- PLEASE, DON'T FEEL THAT BECAUSE I LISTED ONE FIRST,
8 IT HAS A MORE OR GREATER SIGNIFICANCE THAN THE ONE WHO I STATE
9 LATER. THE NEXT IS A COLLEGE DEGREE FROM AN ACCREDITED COLLEGE
10 OR UNIVERSITY, PREFERABLY IN LAW, BUSINESS, OR PUBLIC
11 ADMINISTRATION, AND EXPERIENCE IN THE APPLICATION OF
12 MANAGEMENT AND ORGANIZATIONAL PRINCIPLES TO THE ANALYSIS,
13 EVALUATION AND CONTROL OF ORGANIZATIONAL PROGRAMS AND
14 RESOURCES, EXPERIENCE IN ANALYZING AND PREPARING LEGISLATION
15 AND KNOWLEDGE OF STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROCESSES.
16 IMPLICIT IN THAT, OF COURSE, IS AS IT RELATES TO THE ELECTION
17 AND ALSO THE RECORDING FUNCTION. KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND
18 ABILITIES REQUIRED TO WORK EFFECTIVELY WITH PUBLIC AND ELECTED
19 OFFICIALS AND CITIZENS GROUPS. AND THEN, EXPERIENCE IN
20 BUILDING CONSENSUS AND IMPLEMENTING CHANGES IN AN ORGANIZATION
21 UNDERGOING OPERATIONAL CHANGES.

22
23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THE SEARCH PROCESS ITSELF, THERE WAS A
24 SEARCH FIRM HIRED. HEATHER, WHAT'S THE NAME OF YOUR SEARCH
25 FIRM?



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2 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** RALPH ANDERSEN & ASSOCIATES.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW WERE THEY SELECTED?

5

6 **MIKE HENRY:** SUPERVISORS, MIKE HENRY, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR.

7 THEY WERE SELECTED THROUGH A BID PROCESS CONDUCTED BY MY

8 OFFICE. WE HAVE --

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WITH AN R.F.P.?

11

12 **MIKE HENRY:** IT'S A MODIFIED R.F.P.. WE HAVE A LIST OF ABOUT 70

13 FIRMS THAT DO SEARCHES. WE CANVASSED THAT LIST FOR EXPERIENCE

14 IN THIS AREA AND WE SENT PROPOSALS TO SIX OF THOSE PARTICULAR

15 FIRMS. OF THOSE SIX, FOUR RESPONDED. WE THEN WENT THROUGH AN

16 EVALUATION OF THOSE PROPOSALS, BOTH BY PAPER AS WELL AS

17 INTERVIEWS. WE THEN RATED EACH OF THOSE PROPOSALS AND THE MOST

18 QUALIFIED FIRM WAS SELECTED.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU -- DID YOU

21 CHECK TO SEE WHETHER ONE OF THE FACTORS IN SELECTING THIS

22 PARTICULAR -- OR ANY OF THE VENDORS WAS THAT THEY HAD NO

23 RELATIONSHIP WITH ANY VENDORS THAT WE DID BUSINESS WITH IN THE

24 REGISTRAR'S OFFICE?

25



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1 **MIKE HENRY:** YES, WE DID.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU HAVE ANY FINANCIAL TIES THAT YOUR
4 FIRM OR YOU PERSONALLY --

5

6 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** RALPH ANDERSEN & ASSOCIATES IS A PRIVATELY
7 HELD CORPORATION, AND I'M THE MAJORITY STOCKHOLDER AND WE HAVE
8 NO FINANCIAL TIES TO ANY OTHER ENTITY WHATSOEVER.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. HOW DID YOU CONDUCT THE SEARCH?

11

12 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** IT WAS A NATIONAL SEARCH WHERE WE CONDUCTED
13 BOTH -- NOMINATIONS WERE SOLICITED FROM KEY INDIVIDUALS ACROSS
14 THE COUNTRY, AS WELL AS INVITATIONS SENT TO THE TOP 20 CITIES,
15 TOP 20 COUNTIES, AND 49 STATE ELECTION DIRECTORS AS WELL AS
16 SIGNIFICANT EMPHASIS WITHIN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND THERE
17 WAS SIGNIFICANT PERSONAL OUTREACH THAT WAS DONE BY ME
18 PERSONALLY.

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IN ADDITION, I BELIEVE THAT YOU ALSO TOOK
21 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM SOME VOTER ADVOCATE GROUPS OR
22 INDIVIDUALS.

23

24 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** YES. WE CERTAINLY LEFT THAT AS AN OPEN
25 CHANNEL OF COMMUNICATION THAT NAMES WERE ELEVATED TO US. AND



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1 THOSE INDIVIDUALS WERE SOLICITED THROUGH PHONE CALLS FROM ME
2 AND OUTREACH AS WELL.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND HOW MANY RESPONSES DID YOU GET TOTAL IN
5 THE FIRST PASS?

6

7 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** WE HAD 24 TOTAL.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY?

10

11 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M JUST TRYING TO SHORTEN THIS A LITTLE
14 BIT. BECAUSE YOU'VE ANSWERED SOME OF MY OTHER QUESTIONS IN THE
15 PROCESS.

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** COULD I HELP, SUPERVISOR?

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, NO, DON'T NEED YOUR HELP. [LIGHT
20 LAUGHTER]

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DID YOU MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO CHIEF
23 EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR ONE CANDIDATE?

24



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1 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** IN TERMS OF MY REVIEW OF THE 24 CANDIDATES,
2 I ELIMINATED 11 BECAUSE THEY DID NOT MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS.
3 OF THAT GROUP OF 11 -- OH, PARDON ME, IT WAS 13 THAT WAS
4 ELIMINATED -- THERE WERE 11 THAT REMAINED WITHIN THAT POOL.
5 THOSE INDIVIDUALS WERE THEN SCREENED FURTHER BY ME, INCLUDING
6 PERSONAL INTERVIEWS AND, IN SOME CASES, BECAUSE OF DISTANCE,
7 TELEPHONE DISCUSSIONS. I THEN MADE A SHORT LIST RECOMMENDATION
8 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, WHERE I NARROWED DOWN
9 THAT EVEN FURTHER FROM 11.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 11 TO HOW MANY?

12

13 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** INITIALLY IT WENT TO FIVE AND THEN THE
14 RECOMMENDATION FOR PANEL INTERVIEWS WENT TO FOUR.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WERE THE CANDIDATES VETTED FOR THEIR
17 CRIMINAL RECORDS?

18

19 **MIKE HENRY:** YES, THEY WERE, SUPERVISOR.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND ANY CIVIL CASES AGAINST THEM AND
22 JUDGMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN FILED AGAINST THEM?

23

24 **MIKE HENRY:** ALL OF THAT WAS CHECKED OUT, CORRECT.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BANKRUPTCIES?

2

3 **MIKE HENRY:** CORRECT.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHERE THE CANDIDATES WERE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES,
6 AS MOST OF THESE PROBABLY WERE, IF NOT ALL OF THEM, BECAUSE
7 IT'S A PUBLIC KIND OF JOB, DID -- WERE THERE STATEMENT OF
8 ECONOMIC INTERESTS WHERE THAT WAS AVAILABLE CHECKED?

9

10 **MIKE HENRY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AS TO THEIR PERSONAL INVESTMENTS IN ANY --
13 WITH ANY VENDORS THAT MIGHT -- THAT WE DO BUSINESS WITH?

14

15 **MIKE HENRY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND DID THEY ALL COME UP NEGATIVE? LET ME
18 JUST PUT IT THIS WAY. THE ONES THAT WERE ELEVATED TO MR.
19 FUJIOKA, THE 11 AND THEN THE 4, WERE THEY ALL WITHOUT TIES?

20

21 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** I WILL TELL YOU THAT THERE WAS ONE
22 INDIVIDUAL THAT WE DID ELIMINATE BECAUSE OF SOME INFORMATION
23 THAT CAME TO OUR ATTENTION.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. AND YOU DID THE NORMAL THING WE
2 ALWAYS DO WITH THE BACKGROUND CHECKS, NEWSPAPER ARTICLES.

3

4 **MIKE HENRY:** THAT IS CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU INTERVIEWED THEIR REFERENCE, CORRECT?

7

8 **MIKE HENRY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DID YOU INTERVIEW REFERENCES THAT WERE NOT
11 ONLY POSITIVE, BUT ALSO CRITICAL?

12

13 **HEATHER RENSCHLER:** YES, THAT IS CORRECT, AND I PERSONALLY MADE
14 THOSE CALLS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU GOT ON ALL THE CANDIDATES THAT YOU
17 INTERVIEWED OR THAT YOUR FIRM INTERVIEWED, YOU GOT BOTH PROS
18 AND CONS ON ALL OF THE CANDIDATES? OKAY. THE LAST COUPLE OF
19 QUESTIONS I HAVE IS -- ONE OF THE PROBLEMS THAT CAME UP WITH
20 OUR PRIOR REGISTRAR WAS, AT LEAST THE PERCEPTION OF -- THAT
21 WAS CREATED WHEN HER LIKENESS WAS USED BY ONE OF THE VENDORS,
22 ONE OF THE PROMINENT VENDORS IN THIS COUNTRY, ON THEIR
23 ADVERTISING, PROMOTIONAL BROCHURES. SOMETIMES YOU CAN'T HELP
24 THAT SITUATION, ALTHOUGH THAT WAS NOT SUCH A CASE. IF THE
25 REGISTRAR STANDS HERE AND TESTIFIES THAT THIS PRODUCT HAS DONE



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1 A GOOD JOB FOR US, THEN IT'S LIKE A MOVIE REVIEW. REGISTRAR
2 SAYS "DID A GOOD JOB," AND IT'S IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN. BUT
3 WHERE A REGISTRAR VOLUNTEERS INFORMATION OR ENTERS INTO A --
4 JUST OFFERS SOMETHING THAT WASN'T IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN OF AN
5 ENDORSEMENT NATURE, I THINK IT CREATES AN IMPRESSION WHICH IS
6 NOT WORTH IT FOR ANYBODY, AND IT'S INAPPROPRIATE FRANKLY. SO
7 MY QUESTION TO YOU, REGARDLESS OF WHO WE PICK, AND IT MAY NOT
8 BE EVEN RESTRICTED TO THIS JOB, BECAUSE IT MAY BE SOMETHING WE
9 WANT TO LOOK AT IN OTHER JOBS, WOULD IT BE SOMETHING YOU WOULD
10 RECOMMEND OR WE COULD REQUIRE IT, BUT I WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOUR
11 RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE, REACTION, TO A REQUIREMENT THAT AS
12 PART OF A CONTRACT WITH A NEW REGISTRAR, WHOEVER HE OR SHE MAY
13 BE, THAT THERE'S A PROVISION THAT SAYS THEY WILL NOT ALLOW
14 THEMSELVES TO BE USED IN ANY WAY IN ANY PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL,
15 PRINTED, ELECTRONIC OR OTHERWISE, FOR ANY OF THE VENDORS THAT
16 DO BUSINESS OR ANY VENDORS THAT DO BUSINESS IN THEIR INDUSTRY,
17 FRANKLY, WHETHER THEY COME BEFORE THEM OR NOT.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ABSOLUTELY. NOT ONLY SHOULD WE ADD THAT VERY
20 EXPLICITLY IN THE CONTRACT AS IT SPEAKS TO --

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MOVE YOUR MIC A LITTLE BIT.

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AS IT SPEAKS TO -- I SAID ABSOLUTELY. NOT ONLY
25 SHOULD WE ADD THAT LANGUAGE AS IT SPEAKS TO PROMOTING OR



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1 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF A VENDOR, WE CAN ALSO STATE SOMETHING
2 EVEN STRONGER THAT RELATES TO ANY, ANY FINANCIAL TIES, ANY TIE
3 WHATSOEVER TO A VENDOR THAT ADVOCATES THE USE OF THE PRODUCT,
4 SO WE CAN COME UP, WE CAN WORK WITH COUNTY COUNSEL ON LANGUAGE
5 OF THAT SORT. I THINK THAT'S AN EXCELLENT SUGGESTION. WE
6 SHOULD DO THAT -- I THINK THAT SHOULD BE A MATTER OF STANDARD
7 PROCEDURE FOR ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENT HEAD APPOINTMENTS AS WE GO
8 FORWARD.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. FOR THE TIME BEING, THOSE ARE THE
11 QUESTIONS I WANT TO ASK HERE. I'LL HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS IN
12 CLOSED SESSION, AND I'M SURE WE ALL WILL. BUT I WANTED TO TAKE
13 THE OPPORTUNITY, BECAUSE SOME OF THESE THINGS ARE GENERIC, AND
14 I -- REGARDLESS OF WHAT THE OUTCOME IS, I THINK PEOPLE ARE
15 ENTITLED TO KNOW WHAT THE PROCESS WAS, HOW IT WAS DONE. YOU
16 INTERVIEWED THE CANDIDATES YOURSELF, MR. FUJIOKA?

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAD A 2-TIERED PROCESS. WE HAD A FOUR
19 PERSON BOARD WHO FIRST INTERVIEWED THE CANDIDATES AND THEN I
20 INTERVIEWED THE FINAL CANDIDATES.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHO WERE THE FOUR PEOPLE ON THE BOARD?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** MAYBE I CAN ANSWER THAT.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY.

2

3 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BEFORE I DO, LET ME JUST SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT
4 WHY WE KEPT THEM CONFIDENTIAL TO THIS POINT, AND IT'S
5 BASICALLY FOR THE INTEGRITY OF THE PROCESS. WE DIDN'T WANT
6 THEM TO BE CONTACTED BY ANYBODY, CANDIDATES, CITIZENS, OR THE
7 PRESS. THE INTERVIEW PANEL MEMBERS, HERMAN HILL DEBOIS, PH.D.,
8 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE; NEIL KELLEY,
9 REGISTRAR OF VOTERS, COUNTY OF ORANGE, SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT.
10 ELISA M. NUNEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
11 PUBLIC AND SOCIAL SERVICES, RETIRED; AND ELLEN SANDT, DEPUTY
12 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THAT WAS THE
13 INTERVIEW PANEL.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. SO IN ADDITION TO THEM, NOW THOSE
16 NAMES ARE PUBLIC. IN ADDITION TO THEM, YOU INTERVIEWED THE
17 FINALISTS YOURSELF. AND BASED ON THAT AND EVERYBODY ELSE'S
18 RECOMMENDATION -- OR INPUT IN THIS PROCESS, YOU BELIEVE YOU
19 HAD ENOUGH INFORMATION TO MAKE THAT RECOMMENDATION YOU'RE
20 GOING TO MAKE.

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. IN ADDITION TO THE INTERVIEWS, AS PART OF
23 THIS PROCESS, AND THIS APPLIES TO THE TOP THREE FINAL
24 CANDIDATES, OUR EXECUTIVE SEARCH FIRM DID AN EXTENSIVE, I'VE
25 GOT TO HIGHLIGHT, EXTENSIVE BACKGROUND SEARCH ON NOT ONLY



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1 INFORMATION THAT WAS FOUND THROUGH OUR NORMAL BACKGROUND
2 PROCESS, BUT ALSO CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY SOME OF THE
3 INDIVIDUALS TODAY. WE LOOKED AT NOT ONLY WHAT WE COULD FIND
4 THROUGH THE NORMAL SEARCH, BUT WE ALSO LOOKED AT ANY AND ALL
5 DOCUMENTS SUCH AS ANY REPORTS SPECIFIC TO THAT ORGANIZATION
6 THAT ADDRESSED THE FUNCTION OF VOTER REGISTRATION, ANY
7 PARTICULAR AUDITS, ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS THAT WE CAN POSSIBLY
8 PUT OUR HANDS ON, WE DID A VERY THOROUGH DUE DILIGENCE ON THIS
9 POSITION FOR ALL THE CANDIDATES, ESPECIALLY THE CANDIDATE --
10 WELL, I'LL JUST SAY FOR ALL THE CANDIDATES.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. THAT'S ALL I HAVE FOR
13 NOW, MADAM CHAIR.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OTHER QUESTIONS? OR OTHER COMMENTS? DO WE
16 HAVE ANY FURTHER...

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE WERE NO OTHER PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON THIS
19 MATTER.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE BEFORE PUBLIC
22 COMMENT?

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PUBLIC COMMENT
25 SPEAKERS.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT. JON
3 NAHHAS, ARNOLD SACHS, AND LENGANJI CHASE SIAME. PLEASE COME
4 FORWARD. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME. ALL RIGHT. I THINK I CALLED
5 MR. NAHHAS FIRST.

6

7 **LENGANJI CHASE SIAME:** I'M LENGANJI CHASE SIAME. AS AN
8 INTRODUCTION, I AM THE FIRST BORN SON TO MR. S.B. SIAME AND
9 MRS. MERCY SIAMESHENG. MY NAME IS LENGANJI CHASE SIAME, WHICH
10 IS THE NAME THAT WAS GIVEN TO ME AT BIRTH. I HAVE A BACHELOR'S
11 DEGREE IN ARCHITECTURE AND MY FEW CERTIFICATES, DIPLOMAS AND
12 EMBELLISHMENTS ARE ENDORSED WITH MY THREE NAMES, LENGANJI CASE
13 SIAME, AND SOMETIMES MY TWO NAMES LENGANJI SIAME. I GRADUATED
14 FROM SCI-ARC, WHICH IS AN ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTION, THE
15 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTURE, WHICH HAS
16 RECEIVED COMMENDATIONS FOR HAVING CONTRIBUTED TREMENDOUSLY TO
17 L.A.'S CULTURAL AFFAIRS. I WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN HERE BY STATING
18 THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CREATION OF SCI-ARC, WHICH I
19 STARTED TOGETHER WITH MICHAEL RATANDI, A LONG TIME AGO, IN THE
20 LATE 70S. NOBODY TALKS ABOUT IT BECAUSE OF THE MANNER IN WHICH
21 THE SCHOOL WAS ORIGINALLY PUT TOGETHER. THE STORY THAT PEOPLE
22 GENERALLY KNOW IS THAT THAT SCI-ARC WAS STARTED BY STARTED BY
23 RAY KAPPE. BUT THE TRUTH IS THAT I REQUESTED FOR MR. KAPPE TO
24 STAND IN AS THE FOUNDER TO MAKE IT LOOK POLITICALLY CORRECT.
25 SECONDLY, I WOULD LIKE TO STATE HERE AS A FACT THAT I ALSO



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1 STARTED THE FAMOUS ENRON CORPORATION TOGETHER WITH RONALD
2 KAZAPOTU. I PUT THE NAME FROM EN FROM MY NAME, LENGANJI
3 TOGETHER WITH RON FROM RONALD, AND CREATED THE NAME ENRON.
4 AGAIN, WE REQUESTED FOR KENNETH LAY, THE LATE CHAIRMAN FOR
5 ENRON, TO RUN THE CORPORATION, AGAIN TO MAKE IT LOOK
6 POLITICALLY CORRECT. AFTER ALL, I WAS STILL A YOUNG MAN AT THE
7 TIME AND I STILL NEEDED SOME GROWING UP TO DO. IN ADDITION,
8 FROM 1989 TO 2002, ENRON CORPORATION CONTRIBUTED A TOTAL SUM
9 OF \$5.95 MILLION TO BOTH THE REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC PARTIES
10 AS CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS. FROM THE TIME THAT I ARRIVED IN THE
11 UNITED STATES IN 1991, I HAVE RECEIVED LITTLE IN TERMS OF
12 EQUITABLE RETURNS TO REFLECT MY EFFORTS INTO THE CREATION OF
13 ENRON, AND IN TURN, ENRON'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE WELFARE OF
14 THIS NATION. I WOULD LIKE THIS TREND TO BE REVERSED, WITH ALL
15 DUE RESPECT, SO THAT I CAN HAVE GOOD FORTUNE AND WEALTH
16 RESTORED FOR MY LIVELIHOOD WITH OPULENCE, PERKS AND KICKBACKS
17 AS A MEANINGFUL SHOW OF APPRECIATION FOR MY EFFORTS. IN
18 CONCLUSION, THE AGREEMENTS THAT I NEED TO HAVE SIGNED ARE AS
19 FOLLOWS. AGREEMENTS BETWEEN--

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

22
23 **LENGANJI CHASE SIAME:** MAY I JUST HAVE ONE MINUTE JUST TO
24 FINISH UP?



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, BUT IF
2 YOU PASS ON TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL THE THINGS THAT YOU'RE
3 ASKING ABOUT, HE CAN RESPOND TO YOU.

4

5 **LENGANJI CHASE SIAME:** OH, I HAVE ALREADY SUBMITTED MY REQUEST
6 TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. STATE YOUR NAME,
9 PLEASE.

10

11 **JON NAHHAS:** GOOD MORNING AGAIN, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JON
12 NAHHAS. LAST WEEK, I SPOKE ABOUT THE MISCOMMUNICATION OF
13 COUNTY STAFF MEMBERS WHICH LED TO THE LAST-MINUTE CANCELLATION
14 OF SUPERVISOR KNABE'S VISIT TO MARINA DEL REY TO HEAR ISSUES
15 OF OUR COMMUNITY. I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE LACK OF WRITTEN
16 COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE STAFF AND WONDER IF THIS IS
17 RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR BY OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES DOING THE
18 PEOPLE'S BUSINESS. ONLY ONE WRITTEN RESPONSE BY MR. KNABE'S
19 PRESS SECRETARY ON THE DRAFT PRESS RELEASE STATING "WORKS FOR
20 ME." THIS IS NOT TWO COUNTY EMPLOYEES GOING TO LUNCH AT
21 SIZZLER AND RESPONDING "WORKS FOR ME," THIS IS A LONG-AWAITED
22 COMMUNITY MEETING INVOLVING OUR SUPERVISOR WHO REPRESENTS OUR
23 COMMUNITY INVOLVING HUNDREDS, IF NOT THOUSANDS, OF OUR COUNTY
24 CITIZENS. I AM PAYING PROPERTY TAXES IN AUGUST AND THIS
25 PROCESS OF CONDUCTING THE PEOPLE'S BUSINESS DOES NOT WORK FOR



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1 ME. JULY 4TH IS COMING ON FRIDAY AND MARKS THE ANNIVERSARY OF
2 A SUPERVISOR ABUSING THEIR POWER IN THE MARINA. LAST YEAR,
3 NEARLY 30 BOATERS WERE WAITING TO OBTAIN A GUEST SLIP IN
4 BURTON CHACE PARK FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS. BUT THEY
5 WERE TOLD THEY COULDN'T BECAUSE THE ONE REMAINING SLIP LEFT
6 WAS RESERVED FOR A COUNTY SUPERVISOR. THE POLICY OF FIRST
7 COME, FIRST SERVED WAS SUSPENDED FOR ONE DAY IN FAVOR OF ONE
8 OF YOU SITTING HERE. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, IN JANUARY SPOKE
9 ABOUT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. IF ONE SEAT WAS LEFT IN THAT
10 HOLLYWOOD BOWL FOR A SHOW, WOULD HE JUST HOP IN FRONT OF THE
11 LINE? MS. MOLINA, WOULD SHE ACTUALLY TAKE ONE OF THE BEST
12 VIEWS ON THAT GRAND VIEW PROJECT, GRAND AVENUE PROJECT? THIS
13 SUPERVISOR DIDN'T EVEN SHOW UP TO THE DOCKS. HE SENT A FRIEND,
14 BUT ALLOWED THAT FRIEND TO JUMP AHEAD OF OTHER BOATERS. IT IS
15 FITTING THAT THE BOAT THAT FILLED THE SUPERVISOR'S RESERVE
16 SLIP WAS THE MOST ENVIRONMENTALLY POLLUTING AND MOST
17 DISTURBING TO THE CITIZENS WITH THE ENGINES THAT ARE RUNNING.
18 THIS IS AN ABUSE OF POWER AND AN EXEMPLARY OF THE CONTINUED
19 ISSUES IN MARINA DEL REY AND HELPS VALIDATE THAT THE BLACK
20 MARKET THAT PLAGUES OUR COMMUNITY. THIS MORNING, THERE WERE
21 TWO SPEAKERS ON ITEM 70, AND I WANT TO STATE THAT THIS IS
22 HIGHLY UNUSUAL. LAST WEEK, I CAME IN HERE AT QUARTER TO TEN
23 AND I WASN'T ABLE TO SPEAK. ONE OF THE SPEAKERS CAME IN AT
24 10:03 AND SUDDENLY WAS ALLOWED TO SPEAK ON ITEM 70 AFTER THE
25 ROLL CALL WAS MADE, AFTER THE AGENDA ITEMS WERE ALREADY GONE



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1 THROUGH. SO, AGAIN, A SPECIAL PRIVILEGE BY ANOTHER MEMBER
2 MAYBE OF A LESSEE. I'M KIND OF CONCERNED ON HOW SOME OF US
3 DON'T GET THAT SAME PRIVILEGE HERE AT THE COUNTY BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS?

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. I'D
9 LIKE TO REVIEW LAST WEEKS METRO L.A. COUNTY METROPOLITAN
10 TRANSIT AUTHORITY MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON THURSDAY. IT WAS
11 REALLY AN EYE OPENING EXPERIENCE, A LOT OF INFORMATION THAT
12 WAS BROUGHT OUT. I ESPECIALLY APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT THERE
13 WAS QUITE AN OPEN DISCUSSION REGARDING SOME OF THE PROJECTS.
14 BUT I AM CONCERNED ABOUT A FEW THINGS. I'M CONCERNED ABOUT
15 YOUR LETTING THE STATE LEGISLATION OR -- YOU'RE MISSING THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE STATE LEGISLATION REGARDING SOME OF
17 THE THINGS THEY DO. YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO STATE SENATOR
18 MIKE FUROR REGARDING CALL FOR PROJECTS. YET NOBODY WANTS TO
19 STEP UP AND SAY, STATE LEGISLATION, STATE LEGISLATORS, YOU
20 PASSED THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY BILL WITH
21 PARAMETERS, AND THEN YOU TURN AROUND AND YOU ADD TWO OTHER
22 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITIES THAT COVER THE SAME DISTANCE. AND NOW
23 WE'RE LOOKING TO YOU FOR ASSISTANCE OR HELPING US PLAN FOR
24 METRO PROJECTS, AMONG THEM BEING THE RED LINE, OR AS IT'S
25 CALLED, THE RED LINE. SUPERVISOR MOLINA AT THE BOARD SPOKE



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1 ELOQUENTLY ABOUT THE RED LINE. BUT YOU DID MAKE ONE MISTAKE,
2 OR MAYBE MORE THAN ONE, BUT AT LEAST ONE THAT CAUGHT MY
3 ATTENTION. SHE CLAIMED THAT THE RED LINE WOULD BE BUDGETED FOR
4 \$4 BILLION FOR SOME OF THE CONTINGENCY FUNDS, AND THAT'S NOT
5 EVEN CLOSE. WHEN THE MAYOR WAS CALLING FOR PROJECTS INCLUDING
6 THE EXPO LINE, THE SUBWAY TO THE SEA OR THE RED LINE WAS
7 BUDGETED AT \$6 BILLION A YEAR AND A HALF AGO. SO I SAY, IF SHE
8 CAN FIND THE MONEY, IF SHE'S CORRECT IN HER ASSUMPTION THAT IT
9 WOULD BE \$4 BILLION, THEN BUILD IT, BECAUSE THAT'S \$2 BILLION
10 SAVED RIGHT THERE. I BELIEVE THE \$4 BILLION WILL BE THE COST
11 OVERRUNS. THE PROJECT WILL BE ABOUT \$10 BILLION. I'D ALSO LIKE
12 TO BE POINT OUT THAT ORANGE COUNTY, IN AN ARTICLE PREPARED FOR
13 MORE RIDERS. THEY HAVE A CONTINGENCY PLAN. DO YOU HAVE A
14 CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR METRO FOR THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS? YOU
15 HAVE A LONG-RANGE PLAN. YOU ALTERED THE 2001 LONG-RANGE PLAN
16 TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE THAT WOULD ALLOW YOU TO GET THE FUNDING
17 FOR THE HOT LANES. WHY NOT JUST CONTINUE WITH THE 2001 LONG-
18 RANGE PLAN AND FINISH THAT, BECAUSE THERE ARE PROJECTS ON THAT
19 THAT HAVEN'T BEEN COMPLETED, BEFORE YOU DECIDE TO DO A 2008
20 20-YEAR LONG-RANGE PLAN.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. RAYMOND GARCIA AND
23 NICHOLAS KFOURI

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWERS AND YOUR ATTENTION.

2 WE'LL TALK MORE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

5

6 **RAYMOND GARCIA:** YES. MY NAME IS RAYMOND GARCIA. I'M AN
7 ATTORNEY. MANY YEARS AGO, 1971-72, I WAS THE MAYOR OF THOUSAND
8 OAKS. SO I CAN APPRECIATE YOUR AWESOME JOB THAT YOU DO HERE ON
9 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I COME BEFORE YOU REPRESENTING
10 NADINE HOLDEN. NADINE HOLDEN WAS THE DAUGHTER OF JAMES AND
11 MONTE BANKS. MONTE BANKS, THEY BOTH HAVE PASSED AWAY. MONTE
12 BANKS PASSED AWAY ON FEBRUARY 1ST OF 2000. A COPY OF HER DEATH
13 CERTIFICATE WAS ON FILE WITH THE COUNTY. REAL PROPERTY TAXES,
14 UNFORTUNATELY, WERE NOT PAID ON THE PROPERTY THEY OWNED AT
15 5011 WEST ADAMS BOULEVARD. THE PROPERTY ACTUALLY WAS SOLD FOR
16 THE PROPERTY TAXES THAT WERE DUE OF SOMETHING LIKE \$4,972. THE
17 BID WAS OVER \$150,000 FOR THE PROPERTY. THE NET EXCESS
18 PROCEEDS OF \$145,000 WENT INTO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND. NADINE
19 HOLDEN DID FILE A CLAIM FOR EXCESS PROCEEDS ON FEBRUARY 12,
20 2008, WHICH WAS DENIED BECAUSE IT WAS NOT TIMELY FILED WITHIN
21 THE LIMITS SET BY THE REVENUE TAXATION CODE. AT THIS TIME, SHE
22 HAS EXHAUSTED HER ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES AND THE NEXT OPTION
23 OBVIOUSLY WOULD BE TO FILE A CLAIM WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
24 SUPERIOR COURT. NADINE HOLDEN DOESN'T WANT TO FILE A LAWSUIT
25 BECAUSE OF THE COST OF LITIGATION, AND I'M SURE THE COUNTY IS



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1 NOT INTERESTED IN ANOTHER LAWSUIT EITHER. MY CLIENT BELIEVES
2 THAT SHE SHOULD BE PAID THE EXCESS FUNDS, THE \$145,000, FOR
3 THE FOLLOWING REASONS: NUMBER ONE, SHE WAS NEVER ONCE NOTIFIED
4 OF THE UNPAID TAXES. SHE NEVER RECEIVED A NOTICE OF SALE FOR
5 THE UNPAID TAXES. SHE FEELS THAT HER ADDRESS WAS AVAILABLE TO
6 THE COUNTY TAX COLLECTORS SINCE HER NAME AND ADDRESS WERE
7 CLEARLY MARKED ON THE DEATH CERTIFICATE OF MONTE BANKS. A
8 PROBATE WAS FILED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGARDING MONTE BANKS
9 AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE NEWSPAPER. AFTER
10 MONTE'S DEATH, SHE SUFFERED DEPRESSION AND IS STILL LOOKING
11 FOR PROPERTY. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, IT WOULD SEEM ONLY FAIR
12 TO ALLOW HER TO RECEIVE THE BENEFIT OF THE PROCEEDS FROM THE
13 SALE OF HER PROPERTY, WHICH WAS HER INHERITANCE FROM HER
14 FAMILY, THE AMOUNT DUE FOR THE PROPERTY TAXES WAS ONLY \$5,000.
15 IT SEEMS OBVIOUS THAT THE COUNTY WAS UNJUSTLY ENRICHED WITH
16 THE EXCESS OF \$145,000. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THE COUNTY COUNSEL WILL SPEAK TO
19 YOU ABOUT IT. WHEN WAS IT SOLD? BEFORE OR AFTER THE PROBATE?

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21 **RAYMOND GARCIA:** I'M SORRY?

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WAS THE PROPERTY SOLD BEFORE OR AFTER THE
24 PROBATE?

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1 **RAYMOND GARCIA:** THE PROPERTY WAS SOLD DURING THE PROBATE.

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3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DURING THE PROBATE?

4

5 **RAYMOND GARCIA:** I'M SORRY. NO. IT WAS SOLD PRIOR TO PROBATE
6 BUT THE TIME FOR THE EXCESS FUNDS WAS STILL OPEN DURING THE
7 PROBATE. THE PROBATE WAS OPENED UP IN 2005. I DID TALK TO THE
8 COUNTY COUNSEL AND I TALKED TO THE ASSESSOR. AND I DO HAVE TO
9 SAY, EVERYONE WAS VERY, VERY POLITE AND VERY WONDERFUL TO ME,
10 BUT THEY WENT BY THE GOVERNMENT CODE AND THEY SAID, I'M SORRY,
11 WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING. BUT WE FEEL THAT BECAUSE OF THE FACT
12 THAT SHE DIDN'T RECEIVE NOTICE, THAT THAT IS THE REASON WHY
13 SHE SHOULD BE ALLOWED HER CLAIM.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WELL, COUNTY COUNSEL CAN DISCUSS
16 IT WITH YOU. OBVIOUSLY WE CAN'T TAKE IT UP HERE.

17

18 **RAYMOND GARCIA:** NO.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BUT THE COUNTY COUNSEL CAN TELL YOU -- GO
21 OVER THAT SECTION WITH YOU AGAIN. PROBABLY THE LAWSUIT IS
22 PROBABLY THE ONLY THING THAT SHE CAN DO AT THIS POINT.

23

24 **RAYMOND GARCIA:** WE'D HOPE NOT TO, BUT WE THOUGHT WE'D BRING IT
25 BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

3

4 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS NICHOLAS KFOURI. I
5 HAVE TWO MATTERS HERE THAT REQUIRES YOUR ATTENTION. ONE OF
6 THEM IS A DOCUMENT THAT I RECORDED BACK IN JANUARY OF '07, AND
7 I WAS TOLD THAT ANY DOCUMENT THAT THE RECORDING FEE IS PAID
8 FOR IS SUPPOSED TO BE RECORDED. THAT'S WHAT THE RECORDER'S
9 OFFICE DOES. THIS DOCUMENT WAS NOT RECORDED, EVEN THOUGH THE
10 FEE WAS COLLECTED FROM ME. AND AS A RESULT OF THIS, THE
11 OWNERSHIP DIVISION OF THIS ASSESSOR'S OFFICE MADE A PROMISE TO
12 ME LAST MARCH, MARCH '07, ACTUALLY. YEAH, MARCH '07. WE
13 REACHED AN AGREEMENT WITH ONE OF THE SUPERVISORS, MR. HICKS IN
14 THE OWNERSHIP DIVISION, AND ANOTHER SUPERVISOR, HER NAME IS
15 DELPHINA FROM THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT. BOTH OF THEM AGREED TO PUT
16 THE PROPERTY BACK IN MY NAME AND GIVE ME BACK MY TAX BASIS ON
17 CONDITION THAT I PROVIDE THEM WITH DOCUMENTATION THAT THE
18 PROPERTY NEVER EXCHANGED HANDS, THAT I STILL LIVE THERE, AND I
19 PAY THE MORTGAGE, THE TAXES, THE INSURANCE AND ALL THE
20 MAINTENANCE. WHEN I CAME BACK THE FOLLOWING WEEK WITH THE
21 DOCUMENTATION, MR. HICKS WAS NOWHERE TO BE FOUND. DELPHINA
22 DENIED THAT SHE EVER TALKED TO ME A FEW DAYS EARLIER. AND EVER
23 SINCE THEN, I'VE BEEN GOING -- IT'S BEEN NOTHING BUT A
24 NIGHTMARE TO ME. YESTERDAY, I HAD A HEARING AT THE ASSESSMENT
25 ABUSE BOARD THAT WAS RESCHEDULED FROM MAY THE 15TH. THE



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1 ORIGINAL HEARING WAS ON MAY THE 15TH. THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE
2 REQUESTED A CONTINUANCE FOR 30 DAYS. EVEN THOUGH WE AGREED FOR
3 30 DAYS, WHICH WAS SUPPOSED TO BE JUNE THE 15TH, THEY SENT ME
4 A HEARING DATE FOR AUGUST THE 14TH. I SAID, NO, NO, NO, I DID
5 NOT AGREE FOR AUGUST THE 14TH. WE AGREED FOR 30 DAYS. THAT'S
6 SUPPOSED TO BE JUNE THE 15TH. AFTER MAKING A COMPLAINT, THEN
7 THEY RESCHEDULED IT FOR JUNE 30TH, WHICH WAS YESTERDAY.
8 YESTERDAY, DELPHINA WAS THERE, MR. MARCUS, THE REPRESENTATIVE
9 FOR THE COUNTY WAS THERE, AN APPRAISER, HER NAME IS JENNIFER,
10 WAS THERE, BUT I COULD NOT GET A HEARING. I WAS DENIED A
11 HEARING. SO I BRING THIS TO YOUR ATTENTION AND I NEED SOME
12 ANSWERS.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHOSE DISTRICT ARE YOU IN?

15

16 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** PARDON ME?

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

19

20 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** I LIVE IN THE COUNTY, IN THE SECOND DISTRICT.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE TO CHECK INTO IT.

23 WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE --

24

25 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** HAVE THREE COPIES OF THE DOCUMENT.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND YOU SAY THEY DIDN'T HOLD THE HEARING?

3

4 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** THEY --

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DID THEY PUT IT OVER TO AUGUST AGAIN?

7

8 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** NO. THEY JUST DENIED MY APPLICATION. AT THE
9 SAME TIME, THERE WAS A GENTLEMAN BY THE NAME OF JERRY HAHN. HE
10 REPRESENTS A COMPANY THAT OWNS A LOT OF REAL ESTATE IN
11 LANCASTER. HE DID NOT HAVE AUTHORIZATION TO REPRESENT HIS
12 COMPANY. IT WAS ON RECORD. HOWEVER, THEY WENT THROUGH THE
13 PROCESS ON CONDITION THAT THE AUTHORIZATION WILL BE -- WILL BE
14 SUBMITTED -- THAT WOULD BE COMING IN. IT NEVER CAME, AND THEY
15 WENT AHEAD WITH THE HEARING, WHICH IS A VIOLATION OF THE LAW.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SOMEONE WILL TALK TO YOU AND SEE
18 IF THERE'S -- AND YOU HAVE YOUR RECEIPT WHERE YOU PAID FOR THE
19 RECORDING?

20

21 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** SURE. I HAVE THREE COPIES RIGHT HERE.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND IT WAS STAMPED?

24



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1 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** YEAH, THE DOCUMENT IS STAMPED AND THEN THE
2 RECEIPT FOR THE MONEY THAT I PAID, AND IT WAS PAID BY CHECK.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND THEY NEVER GOT IT -- IT DIDN'T RECORD?

5

6 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** IT WASN'T RECORDED, ACCORDING TO THE
7 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SOMEONE WILL TALK TO YOU
10 ABOUT IT. RIGHT OVER HERE, SOMEONE FROM OUR OFFICE WILL TALK
11 TO YOU.

12

13 **NICHOLAS KFOURI:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THERE'S NO OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE -- (PAUSE).

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU DIDN'T SIGN UP? ALL RIGHT. STATE YOUR
20 NAME, PLEASE.

21

22 **GARY JEFFREY:** FIRST NAME, GARY. LAST NAME, JEFFREY, AND GOOD
23 AFTERNOON NOW. THANK YOU FOR TAKING MY TIME ON THIS. I'M HERE
24 TODAY BECAUSE I'VE BEEN HAVING AN ONGOING PROBLEM WITH THE
25 CHILD SUPPORT ISSUES WITH GETTING MY DOCUMENTS THROUGH. MAINLY



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1 THE PROBLEM RANGES FROM EVERYTHING FROM A GROSS MISCALCULATION
2 OF THE AMOUNT OF CHILD SUPPORT THAT'S OWED, TO THREATS OF JAIL
3 TIME BECAUSE THE COUNTY RECORDS, AS THEY PUT IT, SHOWING ME AS
4 A DEADBEAT DAD. AND NOTHING COULD BE FARTHER FROM THE TRUTH AS
5 FAR AS THAT'S CONCERNED. SINCE 1999, I'VE BEEN HAVING THIS
6 PROBLEM. THROUGH THE PERIOD OF 1999 THROUGH 2001, IF SHOWED ME
7 AT \$5,222 BEHIND IN CHILD SUPPORT. I BROUGHT MY RECORDS IN
8 THROUGH THE OMBUDSPERSON'S DEPARTMENT. THEY RECTIFIED THE
9 PROBLEM THEN AND IT WAS FIXED AT THAT TIME, BUT I CONTINUED TO
10 EXPERIENCE THE SAME PROBLEMS OVER AND OVER AGAIN FOR THE LAST
11 10 YEARS, BASICALLY, AND AT THIS POINT NOW, THE SAME PROBLEM
12 CONSISTS WITH LIENS, LEVIES AND I'M ALWAYS REQUIRED TO MAKE A
13 TRIP DOWN INTO TO L.A. TO TRY TO GET THAT INFORMATION
14 RECTIFIED. SINCE LATE '90S, MY CHILD SUPPORT HAS BEEN PAID
15 THROUGH MY JOB, THROUGH THE VOLUNTARY CHILD SUPPORT, WHICH I
16 SIGNED UP FOR MYSELF AND WITH THAT, THE CUSTODIAL MOM ALSO
17 FILLED OUT SEVERAL AFFIDAVITS WHICH CLEARLY STATED THAT SHE
18 AGREED WITH THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT I OWED. AND NOW, HERE IT
19 IS AGAIN. I HAVE A HUGE ERRONEOUS BALANCE OF \$105,000 IN
20 ARREARS IN CHILD SUPPORT, WHICH ISN'T WARRANTED. ALONG WITH
21 THAT, THEY ALSO PLACED A LEVY AGAINST MY BANK ACCOUNT FOR
22 \$105,000 JUST YESTERDAY AND TOOK EVERY DIME OUT OF MY ACCOUNT
23 AND PUT IT ON HOLD BASED AGAINST THIS ERRONEOUS BALANCE ON
24 HERE. AND IF I DON'T GET IT FIXED WITHIN A 10-DAY PERIOD, THEN
25 OBVIOUSLY, THE MONEY WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE COUNTY AT THAT



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1 TIME. IF THE COUNTY HAS A CASE UNDER CONTINUOUS AUDIT AND
2 REVIEW BECAUSE OF SO MANY INCONSISTENCIES, I WONDER HOW CAN
3 THEY LEVY A BALANCE WHEN THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT IT REALLY IS.
4 BECAUSE IT GOES ANYWHERE FROM 6,000 TO \$105,000 WITHIN TWO OR
5 THREE MONTHS AND UP AND DOWN AGAIN. I'M HERE TODAY BASICALLY
6 TO SEE IF I CAN GET SOME DIRECTION ON WHO I CAN SPEAK WITH TO
7 FINALLY FIX THE PROBLEM ONCE AND FOR ALL. AT THIS POINT RIGHT
8 NOW, ONCE AGAIN, IF I DON'T GET THE LEVY CORRECTED WITHIN 10
9 DAYS, I.E., HOUSE NOTE, EVERYTHING ELSE IS DUE AT ONE TIME,
10 THE BANK'S HOLDING ONTO MY MONEY AND I CAN'T EVEN FACILITATE
11 MY VISITATION WITH MY SON THIS WEEKEND BECAUSE, GUESS WHAT,
12 THEY'RE HOLDING MY MONEY.

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14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SOMEONE FROM CHILD SUPPORT -- OR YOU'RE IN
15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICT?

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17 **GARY JEFFREY:** NO, MA'AM, ACTUALLY, I'M A RESIDENT OF FONTANA.
18 MY CASE WAS IN L.A. COUNTY?

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DO YOU LIVE IN LANCASTER?

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22 **GARY JEFFREY:** NO, I'M IN FONTANA.

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24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. FONTANA?

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1 **GARY JEFFREY:** SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY.

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3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BUT YOUR CASE IS IN L.A. COUNTY?

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5 **GARY JEFFREY:** IT'S L.A., ALWAYS BEEN IN L.A. COUNTY.

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL GET SOMEONE FROM CHILD SUPPORT

8 -- WE CAN GET SOMEONE FROM OUR OFFICE TO TALK TO YOU.

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10 **GARY JEFFREY:** I APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. NO FURTHER PUBLIC COMMENT.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,

15 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL

16 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

17 ITEMS NUMBER CS-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING

18 EXISTING LITIGATION, AND ITEM NUMBER CS-2, CONSIDERATION OF

19 CANDIDATE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF REGISTRAR-

20 RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK IN CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

21 MICHAEL J. HENRY, DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL, AS INDICATED ON THE

22 POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1 REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON JULY 1, 2008

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5 CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

6 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Joe

7 Oronoz v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court

8 Case No. BC 334027

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10 This lawsuit challenges the constitutionality of the County's

11 Utility User Tax ordinance. (08-0281)

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13 ACTION TAKEN: The Board authorized settlement of the lawsuit

14 entitled Joe Oronoz v. County of Los Angeles, et al. The

15 substance of the settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by

16 any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following

17 approval by all parties.

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19 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being

20 present.

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22 No reportable action was taken on item CS-2.

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2 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter

3 Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of
4 California, do hereby certify:

5 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the
6 Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors July 1, 2008

7 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
8 direction and supervision;

9 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as
10 archived in the office of the reporter and which

11 have been provided to the Los Angeles County Board of
12 Supervisors as certified by me.

13 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
14 related to any party to the said action; nor

15 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
17 10th day of July 2008 for the County records to be used only
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